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#### ERRATA.

AMMUNITION FOR 75-MM. GUN, MODEL 1917 (BRITISH).

Page 17: Temperature of gas should be  $-15^{\circ}$  F.

Page 17: A paper cup has been substituted for stopper of fibrous guncotton.

Page 18: 75 mm. projectiles are not marked with a prick punch, but stenciled.

Page 22: The Mark III fuze, through error, is not illustrated.

Page 23 (illustration): The Mark IV fuze is described under Mark V fuze, but has no head arming feature.

Page 23: Correct index of Mark V fuze, Plate VII:

A, Closing cap.

A<sup>1</sup>, Compressed black powder.

B. Head arming casing.

Bi, Arming casing.

C, Head plunger.

C1, Washer.

D, Fuze body.

D1, Arming spring.

E, Head arming casing prongs.

F, Head arming spring.

F<sup>1</sup>, Head safety support.

G, Detonator socket.

H, Delay retard carrier.

I, Relay cup.

J, Felt washer.

K, Felt washer.

L. Detonator casing.

M, Detonator.

N, Cloth disk.

Q, Duplicates I.

R, Powder.

S, Felt washer.

T, Felt washer.

U, Retard spring. U<sup>1</sup>, Safety casing.

V, Percussion plunger plug.

W, Percussion plunger.

X, Powder pellet.

Y, Percussion primer.

Z, Firing pin.

Z<sup>1</sup>, Firing pin plug.

#### PAINTS ON PROJECTILES.

Common steel shell is painted yellow when filled with high explosive, and is painted green when filled with gas.

Common shrapnel is painted red.

Shrapnel rounds are contained complete in a fiber container.

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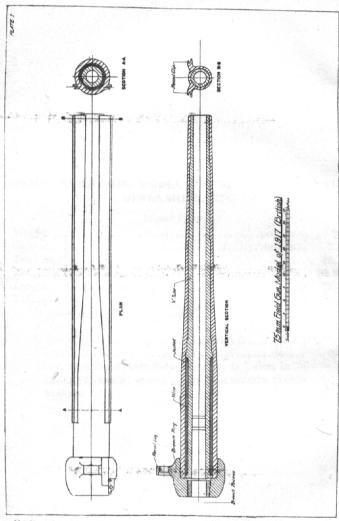
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#### LIST OF EQUIPMENT PERTAINING TO ONE 25-MM. GUN BATTERY ON WAR FOOTING.

# 75-MM. FIELD GUN, MODEL 1917 (BRITISH)—WEIGHTS, DIMENSIONS, ETC.

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# DESCRIPTION

OF THE

# 75-MM. FIELD GUN, MODEL OF 1917 (BRITISH).

(PLATE I.)

The gun is built up of alloy steel, consisting of a tube, a series or layers of steel wire, jacket, and breech ring. The tube extends from the rear end of the chamber to the muzzle. Over the rear portion of the tube are wound 15 layers of 0.04 by 0.25 inch steel wire. The jacket is fitted over the exterior of the wire and the tube, and is secured longitudinally by corresponding shoulders and the breech ring, which is screwed over the jacket at the rear, and secured by a set screw. The breech ring is prepared for the reception of the breech mechanism, and is provided on the upper side with a lug for the attachment of the hydraulic buffer. Longitudinal projections on each side of the jacket form guides for the gun when in the cradle of the carriage.

A plane for clinometer is prepared on the upper surface of the breech ring.

Vertical and horizontal axis lines are cut on the muzzle and horizontal faces.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE BREECH MECHANISM.

(PLATE II.)

The breech block is of the interrupted screw type tapering toward the rear. It has two threaded and two flatted sectors, in rear of which is a cylindrical section, larger in diameter, on which is a thread for securing the block to the carrier. The breech recess of the gun is threaded and slotted to correspond with the threads on the block. The latter is pored out axially to form a seat for the firing pin. The front of this axial hole is closed by the breech block bushing, which is screwed into position and held by a fixing screw through the breech block. The rear end is closed by the striker guide block, which is held in place by means of the hand

lever hinge bolt passing through it. A hole through the breech block and channels formed in the carrier affords a vent for any gases escaping from a ruptured primer or cartridge case. For repairing worn breech block bushings, first remove the fixing screw and unscrew the bushing from the interior of the breech block by the special wrench provided.

The block carrier is hinged on the right side of the breech recess by the carrier hinge bolt; it is bored out and threaded to receive the block as mentioned before. The outer face of the carrier is recessed for the striker guide block and two lugs are provided for

the hinge bolt of the breech mechanism hand lever.

A stop for limiting the rotation of the breech block when in its open position is fitted on the front face of the block carrier.

Hinged to the rear face of the carrier is the hand lever, provided with bevel teeth which engage with corresponding teeth on the rear face of the breech block, so arranged that when the lever is pulled to the right, the first movement of the lever unlocks the breech block, and on continuing the motion, the block and carrier are swung into the loading position.

The hand lever is retained in the closed position by means of a catch with flat spring, pivoted in the lever, one end of which engages a recess in the lower lug on the rear face of the carrier.

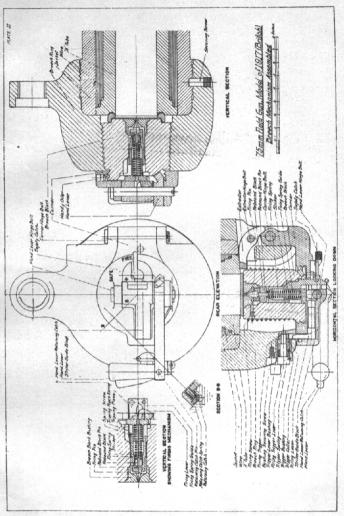
#### THE FIRING MECHANISM.

The firing mechanism belongs to that type known as a continuouspull mechanism and is so arranged that the gun can not be fired before the breech block is home and the hand lever locked.

The mechanism consists of a striker with firing pin, rebound block and securing pin, firing spring, guide for spring, and tripping piece with flat spring and spring screw, fitted through the center of the breech block and retained in position by the striker guide block on the carrier.

A steel firing lever in the interior of the striker guide block, serves to cock the striker and fire the gun, one end of the lever engaging with the tripping piece and guide for spring, and the other end with the trigger in the left side of the gun when the breech is closed.

The extractor is of steel, and is hinged to the right side of the gun. On the inner end are two arms which clip the rim of the cartridge, the outer end forming a lug, by means of which the extractor is automatically actuated in opening the breech.



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#### ACTION OF THE BREECH MECHANISM.

To open the breech, grasp the hand lever; at the same time compress the hand lever retaining catch. This releases the catch from the recess on the carrier. Rotate the hand lever to the rear. During the first part of this movement (120°) the block is rotated and its threads disengaged from those of the gun, at which time the retaining catch in the carrier will drop into its notch in the block at the moment of swinging the carrier from the gun. The block is now locked against further rotation in either direction. During a further rotation of the hand lever of about 110° the block and carrier swing about the carrier hinge bolt clear of the breech recess, the pallet on the carrier forces the extractor lever inward, unseating the cartridge case before the end of the 110° movement, and finally ejects the case free of the gun. When another round is inserted the rim of the cartridge case comes in contact with the extractor and forces it partly home. In closing the mechanism the movements are simply the reverse of opening; as the block carrier comes in contact with the breech face of the gun, the retaining catch is forced rearward, unlocking the block from the carrier. Further rotation of the operating lever rotates the breech block, causing its threads to engage those of the gun. This engagement of threads moves the block forward, due to the pitch of the threads, and firmly seats the cartridge in the gun. At the final motion of the hand lever its catch engages in the recess in the left face of the lower hand lever hinge bolt lug, locking the block in the closed position. The gun is now ready to fire.

#### ACTION OF THE FIRING MECHANISM.

The trigger is actuated by a direct pull on the firing gear of the carriage, thus partially revolving the firing lever, by means of which the striker is forced to the rear, and the guide for spring to the front; the mainspring is thus compressed until the projecting toe on the inner end of the firing lever slips past the front end of tripping piece, in striker guide block, when the striker is free to go forward with momentum due to the energy stored up in the compressed mainspring, and detonates the percussion primer of the cartridge.

#### TO DISMANTILE THE BREECH MECHANISM.

Grasp the hand lever and open the mechanism; remove the cotter pin from the hand lever hinge bolt, and withdraw the hinge bolt, when the hand lever, guide block with firing lever and striker can be

removed. When removing the striker from or inserting it into, the guide block, the safety catch in the latter must always be in the firing position. Slide the firing pin out of the groove in the front end of the striker. Press the top of the spring guide so as to slightly compress the mainspring, and at the same time tilt the upper end of the guide from the striker, and withdraw the guide and mainspring. Place the safety catch in the firing position, and force it out of its recess in the guide block toward the center of the block and withdraw it. Press the retaining catch into its seat in the carrier and unscrew the block (to the right) from the carrier. Withdraw the retaining catch and spring. Now remove the cotter pin of the carrier hinge bolt, and the bolt and carrier are free to be withdrawn. Next remove the cotter pin of the extractor hinge bolt and withdraw this piece and the extractor. Remove the trigger split pin and withdraw the firing trigger lever with bushing, collar and spring from the left side of the gun. The firing lever is then easily removed from the rear.

Reverse these operations for assembling the mechanism.

#### CARE OF THE GUN.

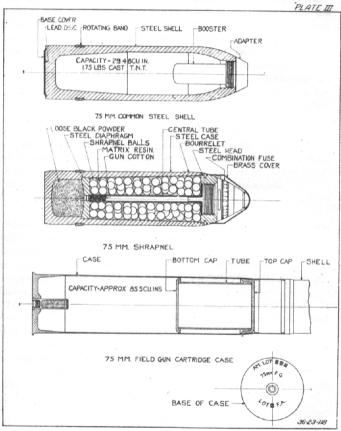
After firing, the bore of the gun should be cleaned to remove the residue of smokeless powder, and then oiled. In cleaning wash the bore with a solution made by dissolving one-half pound sal soda in one gallon of boiling water. After washing with the soda solution wipe perfectly dry, and then oil the bore with a thin coating of light slushing oil furnished for the purpose.

The breech mechanism should be kept clean and well oiled. It should be dismounted from time to time for examination and oiled when assembled. The spare parts carried in the battery wagon should be well coated with vaseline or heavy oil and each piece then wrapped in paper to prevent the oil from being rubbed off.

A tool for the removal of burrs from the striker recess in the breech screw is provided. This tool is of steel and consists of a cutter with holder, sleeve and guide block.

#### AMMUNITION.

Fixed ammunition is used in the 75-mm. field gun, and is made up with either common shrapnel or common steel shell. A complete round of shrapnel is 23.37 inches in length fuzed; of shell 22.56 inches unfuzed. Battery ammunition chests are of sufficient size to take either of the rounds furnished, and the number of each kind to



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be carried is subject to regulation by proper authority. Each round of shrapnel is issued with the projectile filled and fuzed. Each round of shell is issued filled but not fuzed, but contains an adapter with booster charge. The projectiles average in weight: Shrapnel, 16 pounds, fuzed; shell, 12.4 pounds, fuzed. The components of one round are: The cartridge case with primer, the powder charge, projectile, and fuze.

THE CARTRIDGE CASE.

The cartridge case is solid drawn brass and is 13.82 inches long. Its capacity is 85.5 cubic inches. With primer, the case weighs 2.67 pounds. A projecting flange or rim is formed on the head of the case which is engaged by the lip of the extractor. The seat into which the primer is forced is bored out of the center of the head. To avoid injury to this primer seat, the primers are inserted by the small primer inserting press furnished. For removing exploded

For the identification of steel shell only, a black stripe 0.375 inch is painted diametrically across the base of the cartridge case, and the name of the gun, initials of place, year of manufacture and ammunition lot number are stamped into the brass to a depth of 0.02 inch.

primers from cartridge cases special decapping tools are also issued.

#### THE PRIMER.

#### (PLATE III.)

In addition to the essential elements of a percussion primer, the primer for the 75-mm. cartridge case contains an igniting charge of 49 grains of black powder. This "49-grain percussion primer" is shown in Plate III and consists of a brass case resembling in shape a small-arms cartridge case. The head or rear end of the primer case is countersunk, forming a cup-shaped recess, in which is seated the cap or percussion primer proper. The latter consists of the cup, the anvil, and the percussion composition, assembled as shown in the plate.

The percussion-cap recess is connected with the interior of the primer case by a small vent. The body of the case contains 49 grains of black powder, which constitutes the igniting charge for the smokeless powder. After being filled, the front end of the case is closed by a paper wad covered with shellac. The end of the primer tube is crimped over the wad to secure it. When the blow of the firing pin explodes the percussion cap, the black powder is ignited and the flame shot directly forward into the smokeless powder charge, exploding it.

#### THE POWDER CHARGE.

Multiperforated nitrocellulose powder having seven perforations to each cylindrical grain constitutes the charge which averages 24 ounces to the round. A cardboard obturator consisting of a cardboard tube 4 inches long, with covers at each end, is inserted between the base of the projectile and the charge. The charge is thus held to the rear of the cartridge case in contact with the primer. A muzzle velocity of 1,750 feet per second for shrapnel is the standard.

Range tables for 75-mm. shell and shrapnel are published under

separate cover.

Owing to the difference in the shape and weight of the projectiles, no adjustment of charge had been made to permit the use of a single range table. The shell range table must be used when changing fire from shrapnel to shell.

#### PROJECTILES.

Common steel shell accommodating three types of point detonating fuses, also a gas-filled, common steel shell to be fired with an instantaneous action point fuse, and common shrapnel are the projectiles for use with the 75-mm. gun.

#### COMMON STEEL SHELL, MARK I.

This shell is shown in Plate III. It has an ogival head struck with a radius of 4.379 calibers and is fitted with a copper rotating band forced into an annular groove 1.65 inches from the base. The projectile is slightly beveled 0.2 inch below the rotating band to receive the crimping on of the cartridge case. In assembling the round the shell is forced into the case up to the band and the lip of the case crimped into the bevel, securely fixing it. Point fuses only are used with this shell which is tapped through the nose to receive the adapter for French type fuses. The base cover consists of a lead disk covered by a brass base cover which is crimped into an undercut groove and calked with lead wire. This cover prevents danger of premature ignition of the bursting charge through penetration of flame while in the gun. The bursting charge consists of 13 pounds of cast T. N. T. or amatol. The weight of the shell, including bursting charge and adapter, is approximately 12 pounds. The three fuses used vary in weight from 0.6 pound to 1.2 pounds. The shell is never issued fused. It should not be carried fused in caissons or limbers, owing to the sensitiveness of the fuses.

#### COMMON STEEL SHELL, GAS FILLED,

The shell body of the 75-mm. gas shell is identical with the common steel shell, except that it has no base cover and that the tap hole to receive the adpater is tapered to make a gas-tight joint. The gas charge consists of phosgene or other gas which is liquefied by cooling below 15° F., and poured in. A sufficient space is left to allow for expansion when the gas regains atmospheric temperature. The screwing in of the adapter seals the gas hermetically in the shell body. A booster charge similar to the one used to explode the common steel shell is located in the adapter and is sufficient to open the nose of the shell and release the gas. Any of the fuses used with the common steel shell will fit the gas shell.

#### COMMON SHRAPNEL, MARK 1.

(PLATE III.)

This is a base charged shrapnel fitted with a combination fuse. The case is of steel with solid base. The rotating band of copper is forced into an annular groove 1.65 inches from the base. The front or mouth of the case is closed by a steel head, screwed in and tapped to take the service combination time and percussion fuse. Assembling the projectile to the cartridge case is performed exactly as with the steel shell. The bursting charge consists of 3 ounces of loose, black shrapnel powder covered by a steel diaphragm. This diaphragm supports a steel central tube extending forward to the fuse, which acts as a conduit from the fuse to the bursting charge. At the lower end of the tube a stopper of dry fibrous guncotton about 1 inch long is fitted to prevent the loose shrapnel powder from entering the tube, and also to act as an accelerator to the bursting charge.

The shrapnel filling is composed of 270 lead balls about 0.5 inch in diameter, averaging 167 grains in weight. These balls are poured in around the central tube and rest upon the steel diaphragm. The space between the balls is filled with a resinous smoke producing matrix, which disintegrates and frees the balls during the burst of the shrapnel. The matrix also produces most of the smoke which makes possible the observation of shrapnel fire.

In action, the bursting charge does not rupture the shrapnel case, but strips out the head and ejects the diaphragm, throwing the balls forward with an increased velocity of about 347 feet per second.

#### WEIGHT MARKINGS ON PROJECTILES.

In order that allowance may be made for variations in weight of loaded projectile in computing firing data, 75-mm. projectiles are classified by weight, and punch marked for quick identification. 75-mm, ammunition is marked to conform to the French system of marking and is the only United States ammunition which is not marked with an ordinary prick punch. The weight and markings are as follows:

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11 pounds 5 ounces to 11 pounds 11 ounces...++

11 pounds 11 ounces to 11 pounds 15 ounces..+++

11 pounds 15 ounces to 12 pounds 5 ounces. ...++++

These marks are placed about one-half inch in rear of the bourrelet and spaced one-half inch apart. They are deep enough to be felt and be counted by sense of touch, enabling artillerymen to recognize weights of projectiles during night firing. For shell the weights indicated by the marks indicate the weight of loaded projectile and booster, but without fuze. For shrapnel the weight of the fuze will be included, as it is the only round shipped fuzed.

#### FUZES.

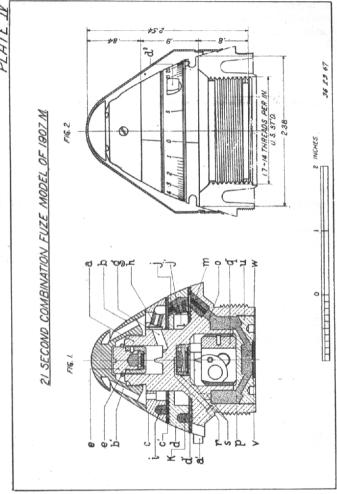
#### FRANKFORD ARSENAL 21-SECOND COMBINATION FUZE, MODEL .oeiff adjall francisk seems OF 1907-M.

effects and the contract of (Plate IV.)

The fuze consists of the following parts, assembled as shown in the drawing:

- a, body, bronze.
- a', stop pin, brass.
- b, closing cap, brass. b', vents in closing cap.
- c, upper time-train ring, Tobin bronze.
- c', washer for time-train ring, graduated felt cloth. d, time-train ring, graduated Tobin bronze.
- d', washer for body, felt cloth.
  - $d^2$ , rotating pin, brass.
- e, concussion plunger.
- e', concussion resistance ring, brass.
  f, firing pin, brass.

  - g, vent leading to upper time train.
  - h, compressed powder pellet.
  - i, upper time train, compressed powder.
  - j, compressed powder pellet in vent leading to lower time train.
  - j', compressed powder pellet in lower time-train vent.



- k, lower time train, compressed powder.
- l, brass disk, crimped in place.
- m, compressed powder pellet in vent o.
- o, vent leading to magazine.
- p, powder magazine.
- q, percussion plunger.
- r, percussion primer.
- s, vents leading from percussion primer to magazine.
- u, bottom closing screw, brass.
- v, washer for closing screw, muslin.
- w, washer for closing screw, brass.

The body a of this fuze is machined from a bronze casting. The time-train rings c and d are turned from hard-rolled rods of Tobin bronze. An annular groove in the shape of a horseshoe is milled in the lower face of each of the time-train rings. Meal powder is compressed into these grooves under a pressure of 66,000 pounds per square inch, forming a time train, the total length of which is 9 inches.

The time element of this fuze is composed principally of the following parts: The time or concussion plunger e, the concussion resistance ring e', the firing pin f, the vent g, leading to the upper time train i, the vent j, the lower time train k, the compressed powder pellet m, in the vent o, leading to the magazine p.

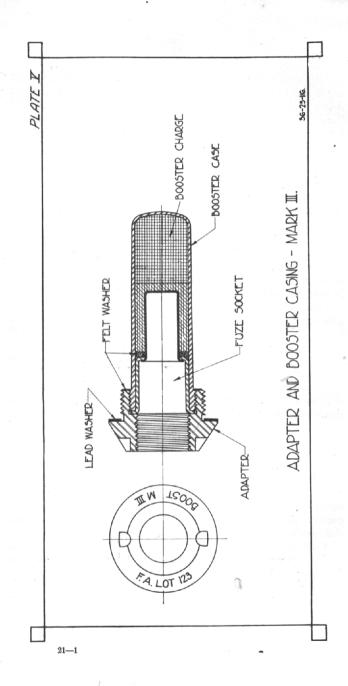
The plunger e is cylindrical in shape and contains percussion composition in a recess at its base. The weight of the plunger rests upon the concussion resistance ring e', which keeps the primer from contact with the firing pin. At discharge of the gun the resistance of the ring is overcome and the primer is exploded by contact with the firing pin.

The upper time-train ring c is prevented from rotating by pins which are halved into the fuze body and the inner circumference of the ring. The vent g is drilled through the walls of the concussion plunger chamber and is exactly opposite a hole in the inner surface of the upper time train leading to the end of the train from which the direction of burning is counterclockwise.

The hole j is drilled through the upper face of the lower time train ring d to the end of the lower time-train groove, from which the direction of burning is clockwise. The lower time-train ring is movable and is graduated on its outer edge in a clockwise direction from 0 to 21.2, each full division corresponding to approximately 1 second time of burning in flight; these divisions are subdivided into five equal parts corresponding to one-fifth second. A radial pin d2 is provided in the lower ring for engagement with a notch in the fuze setter for setting the fuze. A line on the lower flange of the fuze stock is the

datum line for fuze settings. The vent o is drilled through the flange of the fuze stock to the powder magazine p, and leads to the same end of the lower time train as the vent j, the end from which the direction of burning is clockwise, when the fuze is at "zero" The action of the fuze as a time fuze is as follows: Assume first the "zero" setting as shown on the figure. At discharge of the gun the time plunger arms and fires its primer. The flame from the primer passes out through the vent q, igniting the pellet h, the end of the upper time train i, down through the vent i, to the end of the lower time train k, and thence through the vent o to the magazine p, the flame of which is transmitted to the base charge in the shrapnel. It will be seen that for the "zero" setting of the fuze the origin of both upper and lower time trains are in juxtaposition. Assume any other setting, say 12 seconds: The vent i has now changed its position with respect to the vent o, leading to the powder magazine p, both of which points are fixed by the angle subtended between the 0 and the 12-second settings. The flame now passes out through vent g, and burns along the upper time train in a counterclockwise direction until the vent j is reached, where it passes down to the beginning of the lower time train and burns back in a clockwise direction to the position of the vent o, whence it is transmitted by the pellet of compressed powder m to the powder magazine p.

For the 21.2-second settings the vent j, leading to the beginning of the lower time train, is opposite the end of the upper time train. and the end of the lower time train is opposite the vent o, leading to the powder magazine. It will now be seen that to reach the magazine p and burst the shrapnel, the entire length of the time train in both rings must be burned. As already stated, the annular grooves in the lower face of each ring for the powder trains do not form complete circles, a solid portion being left between the ends of the grooves in each. This solid portion is utilized to obtain a setting at which the fuze can not be exploded, known as the "safety point." This point is marked by a line on the outer edge of the movable time train, surmounted by an "S" and is located about half-way between the "zero" mark and the 21.2-second graduation. When this point is brought opposite the line on the lower flange of the fuze body, the vent j is covered by the solid metal between the ends of the upper train, and the vent o leading to the powder magazine p is covered by the solid metal between the ends of the lower, or movable, time train. At the safety setting it will be seem that the upper time train may burn entirely out in case of accidental firing of the time plunger, or in case it may be desired to burst the shrapnel



by impact or percussion without the flame being able to reach the magazine p.

The cloth washers c' and d' are glued to the upper face of the graduated time-train ring and to the upper face of the flange on the fuze stock. The surfaces are corrugated, as shown, to make the washers adhere more strongly. The function of the washers is to make a gas check and prevent premature action of the fuze. The compressed pellet j' in the vent leading from the outside to the beginning of the lower time train is to release the pressure of the gases due to the burning train. The gases from both time trains escape into the outer air through the annular spaces shown in the illustration, and the vents b' in the closing cap.

The percussion element of this fuze, as shown in the plate, consists of a percussion plunger q, and the ordinary percussion primer r. The system of vents through the walls of the fuze shown in figure 2 conduct the flame from the percussion primer to the magazine p. The bottom closing screw closes the percussion plunger recess and keeps the powder in the magazine. The muslin washer v is coated with shellac and held in place by the brass washer w, over the outer edge of which a projecting lip is crimped. These fuzes are issued assembled in shrapnel. For transportation in limbers and caissons the fuze should always be set at the "safety point." The fuze is provided with a waterproof hood of thin metal, hermetically sealed. The hood should be stripped off before an attempt is made to set the fuze.

# ADAPTER AND BOOSTER CASING, MARK III, FOR FRENCH 24/31 FUZES.

To adapt the French type fuzes Mark III and Mark V to the 75-mm. shell, an adapter embodying a high-explosive booster is used, which is shown in Plate V. The adapter consists of a flanged steel collar, threaded on the outside with a standard thread to screw into the head of the shell up to the flange. The inner circumference below the flange is also threaded to receive the steel tube constituting the booster casing. Through the flanged section, the collar is threaded to receive the French threading on the fuze stocks. A tubular fuze socket holder of steel is fitted to the inside of the booster casing. It has an inner lip which supports the outer lip of copper or brass fuze socket, which is passed through it and soldered fast. In assembling, the lower end of the booster casing is filled with 214 grains of T. N. T. under pressure of 5,000 pounds per square inch, followed by 214 grains of tetryl, which is packed up and around the fuze socket under pressure of 5,000 pounds to the square inch and

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held in place by a felt washer. This washer encircles the fuze socket at its juncture with the fuze socket holder. Screwing the booster casing into the adapter plug brings the upper lip of the fuze holder tightly against the upper rim of the booster casing, holding the entire contents of the casing fast. The adapter and booster are now ready to be screwed into the shell. As the fuzes are never assembled to the shell until the round is about to be used, an adapter plug is supplied which acts as a protection against the entrance of foreign substance or moisture into the socket. It consists of a compressed felt washer held between an upper washer of tin and a lower washer of copper, both held together by a twisted wire link. The link is first passed over the circumference of a ring which acts as a lifting handle and means of unscrewing the plug.

## ADAPTER AND BOOSTER CASING, MARK IV, FOR 75-MM-GAS SHELL.

Owing to the necessity for a gas-tight joint in this shell, the booster casing is made of a single tube of steel and the adapter is tapered where threaded into the shell. The booster charge and method of assembly are identical with those of the common steel shell except that the fuze socket holder is held by a bushing threaded into the adapter collar. This bushing is threaded on the inside to take the thread on the French fuzes.

#### POINT DETONATING FUZE, I. A. L., MARK III.

This fuze is designed to burst the shell before it can enter the ground. "I. A. L." signifies Instante Allongér Lefévre, or the instantaneous, elongated fuze of the Lefévre design. Its principal parts are: The body a, the cap b, the firing pin c, firing pin head c', supporting washer d, half rings e, spiral f, safety pin g, percussion primer h, upper detonator i, and lower detonator j. The action of the fuze is as follows: The rotation of the projectile causes the spiral to unwind, due to centrifugal force acting on the weighted end. When the spiral flies off, the half rings accompany it. This arms the fuze by permitting the backward thrust of the pin on impact to fall directly on the safety pin g. When the pin is bent, the firing pin c impinges on the percussion primer. The explosion of the primer in turn explodes the upper detonator. The flame from the upper detonator reaches the lower detonator j, through the channel k, exploding it and detonating the booster charge in the booster casing. These explosions follow in such rapid succession as to make the bursting of the shell practically simultaneous with the first impact of the firing pin head.

#### POINT DETONATING FUZE, MARK V.

This fuze is designed so that a slight change in its components in assembling, makes it either a delay-action or a nondelay-action fuze. A double arming feature distinguishes this fuze from other types. The principal parts are: Fuze body d, detonator m, closing cap a, firing pin z, head safety support c, head safety spring f, head plunger c, head plunger casing b, detonator m, relay cup i, percussion plunger w, percussion primer v, delay retard carrier h, safety casing

v', arming casing b', arming spring d'.

In action, the head plunger c, through its inertia at the impulse of the propelling charge, compresses the spring f and engages the points of the casing b with the head safety support f, locking them. The head plunger and head safety support are now free from the pressure of the spring f and can either creep forward or move forward on impact so that the firing pin is exposed and the fuze armed. The arming casing b', at the impulse of discharge parallels the action of the head plunger above described by pushing back the arming spring d'. The sides of the arming casing b', disengage the prongs of the safety casing u', freeing the percussion plunger w for movement forward, while the prongs of the arming casing engage the collar on the side of the percussion plunger w. The arming casing is thus held back exposing the percussion primer and completing the arming of the fuze. At impact, the percussion plunger w, goes forward and is exploded by the firing pin z', the compressed black powder in the firing pin plug a' ignites, the flame being communicated to the uncompressed black powder in the percussion plunger This in turn ignites the delay charge in the delay retard carrier, which consists of Army black powder compressed to about 42,000 pounds to the square inch. The length of delay depends on the length of this compressed powder to be burned. The long delay is approximately 0.15 of a second; the short delay about 0.05 of a second. When the flame of the delay train reaches the quick match q, it ignites the slightly faster-burning powder in the relay cup i, which explodes the 30 grains of fulminate of mercury in the detonator. This detonates the booster charge in the adapter and explodes the shell

For nondelay action the amount of compressed black powder in the percussion plunger is lengthened and the delay charge and quick match removed. This permits the flame to flash directly to the charge in the relay cup and to cause the explosion of the detonator as before. This latter action, while not used in the Mark V fuze, is utilized to create a Mark IV fuze similar to the Mark V and with which the artilleryman should be familiar. This fuze is a nondelay Mark V without the head arming feature.

It arms at lower muzzle velocity than Mark V and is less safe for that reason. Owing to the superiority of the Mark III, I. A. L., fuze, the Mark IV is not a regular 75-mm. issue fuze; 75-mm. gun squads may, however, be called upon to use it.

### IDENTIFYING PAINT MARKS ON DELAY-ACTION FUZES.

Distinguishing colors indicate the delay action of the fuzes used in 75-mm. projectile as follows: Long-delay Mark V fuzes have the head-closing cap painted black, and the detonator socket painted violet. Short-delay Mark V fuzes have the black head cap only. Nondelay action in Mark IV fuzes is indicated by the fact that the head closing plug is white.

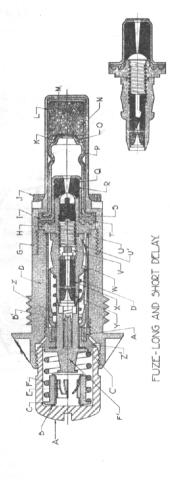
#### MARKING ON AMMUNITION PACKING BOXES.

For quick and accurate identification, the 75-mm. ammunition packing box is marked on top, on both sides and on both ends, as shown in Plate VIII.

The symbol marking identifies the type of ammunition instantly: The smaller more explicit marking is a check and teaches the significance of the symbols, also giving quantities. Black only is the color used in marking these boxes. The marking follows a fixed system.

The type of cartridge or projectile shown to the right of the ordnance escutcheon (side view) is always representative of the kind contained, whether separate loading, fuzed, or unfuzed, etc. The size of the piece, whether in inches or millimeters always appears in the same place, as does also the letter indicating whether ammunition is for gun, howitzer, antiaircraft gun, etc. The lot number follows the word "Lot" and should always be referred to in reports concerning the failure of ammunition to function properly.

Practically the same marking appears on the ends with the exception of a representation of the round of ammunition. The place of packing and ordnance inspector's stamp are always placed on the upper left-hand corner of the top. Following downward, is a description of the type of ammunition contained. Following this is the U.S. number of the individual box and the total weight of the



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box, together with the proper invoice number and the date of invoice.

Boxes in any invoice are numbered from No. 1 up to the total number of boxes the invoice contains. Finally, the destination for shipment is given.

#### MARKING ON FUZE PACKING BOXES.

High-explosive shell requiring a booster can not safely be shipped fuzed. Special packing boxes are provided for each type of fuze. They are marked on the top, sides, and both ends. The marking follows a fixed system, similar to that used on ammunition boxes. Ordnance inspector's stamp and place of packing appear on left top corner of case. The sentence, "Detonating Fuzes; Handle Carefully" appears next, to conform with interstate commerce requirements.

The U. S. number, weight, number of invoice and date, follow in order. Boxes in any invoice are numbered from 1 to the total number of boxes the invoice contains, for reference. The destination

completes the marking of the top.

The side marking consists of one line giving quantity, whether base or point detonating, and the mark or number by which the fuze is known. Under this line is given length of delay, whether non, short, or long delay, and the lot number, to be used in reporting all cases of nonfunctioning fuzes.

Underneath is shown the ordnance escutcheon.

This marking is repeated on a smaller scale on both ends of the box.

#### SUBCALIBER TUBE.

(PLATE IX.)

The subcaliber tube is used for subcaliber practice. It consists of a .30-caliber rifle barrel mounted axially in two bronze subcaliber

adapters.

The breech end of the rifle barrel is screwed into the base adapter of the subcaliber tube while the muzzle end is threaded into the front adapter, which accurately fits the bore at the front end of the subcaliber tube and is capable of longitudinal motion to allow for expansion of the barrel. The steel ejector springs are each assembled to the rear adapter by an ejector spring screw.

During subcaliber practice the extractor of the gun will be removed in order to prevent the breechblock from defacing the base of the rear adapter. The subcaliber tube is inserted and pushed home in the gun. The subcaliber cratridge, caliber .30, is then inserted in the chamber of the subcaliber barrel until its rim comes in contact with the ejector springs. The breech of the gun is closed, the face of the breechblock coming in contact with the subcaliber cartridge, caliber .30, shoves it into its seat compressing the ejector springs. When the breech is opened the ejector springs throw the case of the subcaliber cartridge, caliber .30, far enough to the rear to permit its removal by the fingers. The ammunition for United States magazine rifles of any model must not be used in subcaliber tubes; the primers not being adapted for the blow of the firing pins of cannon. A special caliber .30 cartridge has been adopted for this purpose and requisitions for subcaliber ammunition should call for "subcaliber cartridges, caliber .30."

As the residue of smokeless powder, if not completely removed, corrodes the bore in a short time, the subcaliber tubes should be cleaned carefully after use. The bore should be cleaned with a rag saturated with soda water (one-half pound sal soda to 1 gallon boiling water) and wiped thoroughly dry with a clean rag. Then oil the bore with a light coating of light slushing oil or other suitable oil.

#### DRILL CARTRIDGE.

#### (PLATE IX.)

The drill cartridge is a dummy cartridge for use in drilling cannoneers in the service of the gun. It is a bronze casting of the shape of the service shrapnel ammunition and is fitted at the point with a Frankford Arsenal 21-second combination fuze. This arrangement is for the instruction of cannoneers in fuze setting.

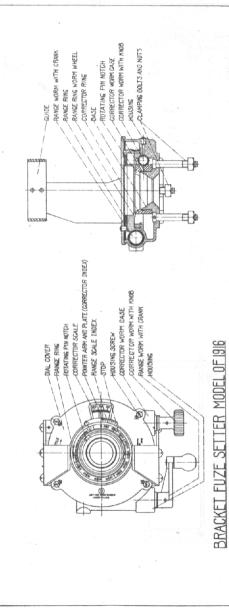
### SUBCALIBER AND DRILL CARTRIDGE KIT.

The subcaliber and drill cartridge kit consists of:

- 3 drill cartridges, 1 extra base.
- 1 subcaliber cartridge, 1 extra base.
- 2 ejector springs.
- 2 ejector spring screws.
- 1 cleaning rod.
- 1 eyepiece.
- 1 extension piece.
- 1 bristle cleaning brush.

- 1 pin wrench.
  - 1 storage shest.
- 6 rotating pins.
- 1 graduated ring, with felt washer.
- 4 ring screws.
- 2 closing cap set screws.
- 6 stop pins.

One subcaliber and drill cartridge kit is issued for each gun.



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#### CARE OF CARTRIDGE CASES.

As soon after firing as practicable the exploded primers should be removed from the cartridge case by means of the decapping tool furnished with the reloading outfit. The case should then be thoroughly washed in a strong solution of soft soap and soda to remove all powder residue. It should then be thoroughly dried.

Before firing a salute with blank metallic ammunition all the cartridges to be used should be inserted in the gun to ascertain if they will fit. In preparing ammunition for salutes, a few rounds in addition to the required number should be prepared for use in case of missires. Lightly oiling the outside of cartridge cases just before use will facilitate their insertion and extraction.

If the cartridge cases are carefully cleaned and washed immediately after firing, not only will less labor be required, but the life of the cartridge case will be prolonged. A good solution for washing cartridge cases may be prepared by using ingredients in the following proportions: One gallon of water,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ounces soft soap,  $5\frac{1}{2}$  ounces soda. The mixture should be boiled and stirred until the ingredients are entirely dissolved.

In washing cartridge cases this solution should be used hot and in sufficient quantity to completely immerse the cases. Neither acids nor solutions of acids will be used for cleaning cartridge cases.

#### MISFIRES AND HANGFIRES.

"Misfires" and "hangfires" are of exceedingly rare occurrence with this ammunition. In case of the failure of the cartridge to fire when the trigger is pulled, the breechblock must not be opened until after the expiration of at least one minute. The gun may be immediately tried again, but in doing this care should be taken that all parts of the body are out of line of recoil of the gun. Defective cartridges and primers should be reported.

#### FUZE SETTERS.

#### THE BRACKET FUZE SETTER, MODEL OF 1916-M.

(PLATE X.)

The bracket fuze setter is attached to the rear end of the fuze setter bracket on the caisson. It consists of the following principal parts: Base, housing, corrector-worm case, guide and range and corrector worms, rings and scales. The base is attached to the fuze setter bracket by four bolts. The housing, the corrector-worm case,

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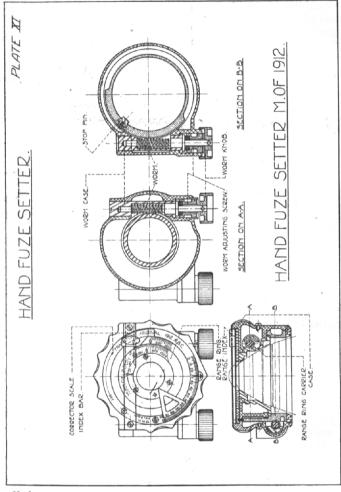
and the guide are each secured to the base by screws. These are the fixed parts of the instrument. The housing forms a cover for the movable parts and affords a seat for the range worm. The corrector ring and the range ring, worm wheel (which carries the range ring) are the movable parts of the fuze setter. When assembled, the interior surfaces of these two rings, in connection with the bore of the fuze setter base, form a socket, shaped to fit the exterior of the combination fuzes. Upon a portion of the exterior of the corrector ring is formed a segment of a worm wheel meshing with the worm seated in a fixed part of the instrument (the corrector-worm case), so that turning the worm rotates the corrector ring. A notch is cut in the inner surface of the corrector ring to take the rotating pin, which projects from the graduated time-train ring of the fuze.

The pointer arm attached to the corrector ring carries at its upper end flush with the upper surface of the fuze setter, the pointer plate which is an index for the corrector scale. Suitable manipulation of the corrector worm moves the corrector ring until the index is set at any desired division of the scale.

The range-ring worm wheel is located within the housing and is mounted on the corrector worm case and ring, and the worm wheel formed on its exterior surface meshes with the range worm, seated in bearings in the housing. The range ring is attached by four screws to the upper surface of the range-ring worm and located by a pin. The ring may therefore be set at any desired reading by a suitable manipulation of the range worm.

The range ring is set for a given range when the division indicating that range is in line with the range scale index, which is the central division on the corrector scale (not the corrector index). The corrector scale is set for a given correction when the corrector index (which is movable) is opposite the specified division of the corrector scale.

When 0 on the range ring is set opposite the range scale index, which is engraved on the corrector scale, and the pointer arm index is opposite 30 on the corrector scale, the fuze will be set at 0. When setting a fuze to explode on impact, or for safe transportation, the "S" on the range ring should be set opposite the range scale index and the pointer arm index set opposite 30 on the corrector scale. Great care should be exercised in making this setting. To use the bracket fuze setter, set the range ring and corrector scale at the range and correction ordered by turning their respective worms; remove the weatherproof cover on the fuze by ripping off the soldering strip.



place the point of the projectile in the use set or with the rotating pin of the graduated time-train ring engaging its notch in the corrector ring; hold the projectile against the guide and while passing the fuze firmly into the fuze setter sociated gurn the projectile in a clockwise direction until the stop brings up against the side of the fixed stop pin in the body. Especial care must always be taken to rotate the projectile in a clockwise direction. When not in use fuze setter should be secured in its traveling position and protected by the fuze-setter cover issued for this purpose.

The range worm, range-ring worm wheel, corrector worm and the corrector ring should be removed from time to time and thoroughly cleaned and oiled. To disassemble, remove the taper pin from the crank and crank from the range worm; withdraw the worm. Unscrew the four housing screws and remove the housing and the range-ring worm wheel. Drive out the taper pin from the corrector-worm knob; remove the knob from the corrector worm and withdraw the corrector worm. Unscrew the worm-case screws and remove the corrector-worm case. Remove the corrector ring from base. Clean thoroughly, grease the worms and the gears, oil the bearings for worms, and assemble in reverse order.

#### HAND FUZE SETTER, MODEL OF 1912.

(PLATE XI.)

The hand fuze setter is a device for rapid and accurate setting of the fuze for various ranges and heights of burst. Plate XI shows assembled and sectional views and designation parts. The principal parts are the case, the range index mechanism, range mechanism, correction mechanism, and guide plate.

The case forms a housing for the movable parts and provides seats for the worm cases and the index bar. The slot, cut in the top of the case, limits the movement of the projecting segment of the corrector scale support which carries the corrector scale. The serrated rim forms a handle for turning. The arrow engraved upon the top and lower center edge of the case coincides with the graduations of the corrector scale. Two oil-hole screws are located in the case directly under the serrated rim on both right and left sides.

The range index mechanism consists principally of the index bar, range index, index plunger and index spring. The index bar is retained in its seat, located in the case directly above the range ring corrector scale screws. On this scale is graduated 120 equal divisions, 50 minutes apart, numbered every 10 divisions. Graduation numbered every 10 divisions.

ber 30 is the normal or zero position, and is indicated by an arrow. The word "turn" and an arrow engraved upon the corrector scale indicates the direction the fuze setter must be turned when setting a fuze. A pointer is riveted and soldered to the top of the corrector scale in a certain position to coincide with the graduated line on the closing cap of the fuze. The range ring carrier is seated in the corrector scale support. The worm teeth mesh with the threads of the worm on the right side of the fuze setter. The slot, which is cut in the bottom side of the range ring carrier, engages with the rotating pin in the graduated time train ring of the fuze. The interior is conical in shape to suit the exterior of the fuze.

The corrector-scale support is held within the case by the guide plate. The worm teeth mesh with the threads of the worm on the left side of the fuze setter. The movement of the corrector scale support is limited in both directions by the slot in the case. The stop pin is secured in the interior of the corrector-scale support by the stop-pin screw and engages with the fixed stop pin in the body of the fuze to limit the movement of the fuze setter.

The worms are mounted eccentrically in the worm cases which, when turned, provide an adjustment to take up the wear between the worm teeth of the range ring carrier or corrector-scale support, and the threads of their respective worms. The worm cases have screw-driver slots at their rear ends, which are provided for adjusting and are locked in position by the worm case clamp plugs, which are secured by the worm-case clamp screws. The worm-adjusting screws have fiber washers fitted in their ends that bear upon the collars of the worms for taking up end motion and to provide sufficient friction to resist accidental turning. A screw-driver slot is located at their front end for adjusting. The worm-adjusting screws are locked in position by the worm-adjusting screw clamp plugs which are secured by the worm-adjusting screw clamp screws.

The worm knobs are secured to the worms by taper pins. The exterior of the worm knobs is straight knurled to facilitate turning. The guide plate is screwed in its threaded seat in the bottom of the case and retained in position by the guide-plate lock screw.

#### DISASSEMBLING AND ASSEMBLING.

To disassemble, remove the index-bar mechanism, which is held in place by the two index-bar screws. Take out the three rangering screws and the two corrector-scale screws and remove the range ring and the corrector scale. Remove the guide-plate lock screw and unscrew the guide plate, using a teat wrench. To remove the

worm knobs from the worms drive out the taper pins. Loosen the worm adjusting-screw clamp screws which release the worm-adjusting screw clamp by two index bar screws and forms a slide for the range index.

The V-shaped notches in the index bar are marked with numbers 1, 2, and 3 with the word "Zone," which agree with the zones of the range ring. The range index sliding upon the index bar is held in position by the index spring, forcing the index plunger into the

V-shaped notches of the index bar.

The range mechanism consists principally of the range ring, rangering carrier, worm, worm case, worm-adjusting screw, and worm knob. The correction mechanism consists principally of the corrector scale, corrector-scale support, worm, worm case, worm-adjusting screw, and worm knob. The range ring is located upon the range-ring carrier by a steel dowel pin and secured in position by three range screws. The outer zone, or zone 3, is graduated for the "21-second fuze." Scales are graduated for ranges of 6,400 yards; least division is 50 yards and numbered every 500 yards. The data for graduating the range ring is computed from actual firings, and then corrected for a suitable height of burst on 3 mils. The graduated surface is sandblasted and lacquered.

The corrector scale is mounted upon the projected segment of the corrector-scale support and secured by two plugs. Remove the worm-adjusting screws. The worms can now be removed by turning. The corrector-scale support and range-ring carrier can then be removed. To remove the worm cases, loosen the worm-case clamp screws which release the worm-case clamp plugs.

Assemble in reverse order.

#### ADJUSTMENT.

Backlash or lost motion may appear between the collars of the worms and the fiber washers endwise; between the worm teeth of the range-ring carrier or the corrector-scale support and the threads of their respective worms. To remove the end backlash, loosen the worm-adjusting screw clamp screw, which releases the worm-adjusting screws clockwise, using a different screw driver until the end play is removed and there is sufficient friction to prevent accidental turning of the worms. The worm-adjusting screw clamp plugs must be firmly clamped after adjusting, by tightening the worm-adjusting clamp screws which secure the worm-adjusting screws against rotation.

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Should backlash appear between the worm teeth of the rangering carrier or the corrector-scale support and the threads of their respective worms, it can readily be removed by loosening the wormcase clamp screws, which release the worm-case clamp plugs, and then turning the worm cases, using a screw driver in a slot at the rear end in which the worms are eccentrically mounted so as to bring the worms in closer contact with the worm teeth. The wormcase clamp plugs must be firmly clamped after adjusting by tightening the worm-case clamp screws which secures the worm cases against rotation.

OPERATION.

First. Set the range index on the index bar to correspond with the fuze to be used.

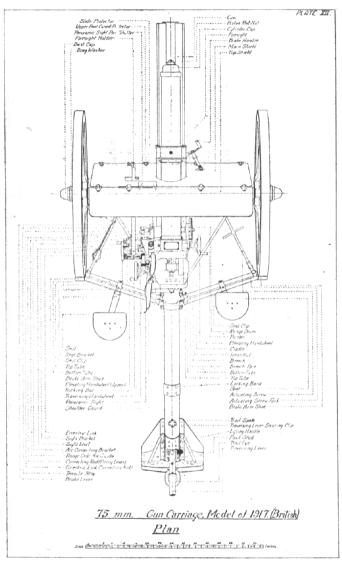
Second. Turn the worm knob pinned to the worm and located at the front right side of the fuze setter, until the graduated line on the corrector scale which indicates the desired correction for height of burst, registers with the engraved arrow on the case.

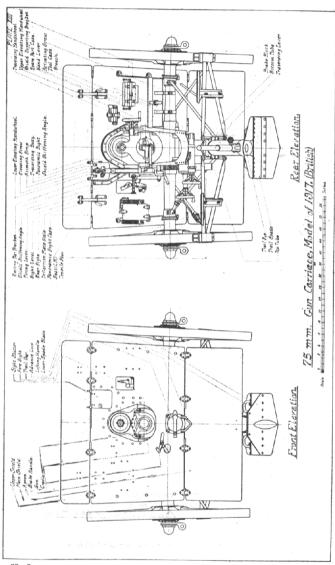
The graduation numbered 30 and indicated by an arrowhead, is the normal height of burst under normal conditions. A decreased reading on the corrector scale decreases the height of burst and increases the range, and increased reading increases the height of burst and shortens the range.

To set a fuze, remove the waterproof cover, place the fuze setter over the fuze and turn until the slot in the bottom of the range-ring carrier engages with the rotating pin in the graduated time-train ring of the fuze. The guide plate and conical interior of the range-ring carrier will then rest upon the fuze. Turn the fuze setter clockwise, as indicated by the arrow on the corrector scale until the stop pin fastened to the corrector-scale support engages with the fixed stop pin in the body of the fuze and further motion is prevented.

The pointer, which is attached to the top of the corrector scale, should register with the gradual line on the closing cap, to indicate that the stop pin of the fuze setter and the fixed stop pin of the fuze are in contact. This pointer is added as the graduated time-train ring of the fuze has tendency to strike or bind to such a degree as to indicate that the stop pin of the fuze setter and the fixed stop pin of the fuze are in contact.

Cards for recording the results of tests of the fuze setters are furnished by the Ordnance Department for each size of gun, howitzer, or mortar, on which computed problems of inspection are given.





#### 75-MM. GUN CARRIAGE, MODEL OF 1917 (BRITISH).

(PLATES XII, XIII, XIV, XV, XVI, XVII, XVIII.)

#### WEIGHTS, PRINCIPAL DIMENSIONS, ETC.

Weight of carriage completepou	ınds	1,892
Weight of gun and carriage complete	do	2,887
Weight at end of trail, carriage limbered	do	96
Diameter of wheelsinc	ches	56
Width of track	do	60
Length of recoil of gun on carriage	do	49
Height of axis of gun	do	36.86
Height of sight bar		45.11
Maximum angle of elevationdeg	rees	16
Maximum angle of depression	do	5
Amount of traverse of gun on carriage	mils	142

#### DESCRIPTION.

The carriage is constructed to allow 16° elevation and 5° depression of the gun, which recoils axially in a cradle, the latter being fitted with a hydraulic buffer to limit the recoil to about 41 inches, and counter-recoil springs to return the gun to battery. The carriage is also constructed so that the elevation of the gun can be altered without interfering with the line of sight. It is provided with a seat on each side of the trail for two of the gun detachment, and with a shield for the protection of the men serving the gun.

The principal parts of the carriage are:

Trail.
Carriage body.
Cradle.
Hydraulic buffer.
Counter-recoil springs.
Elevating gear.
Range gear.

Traversing gear.
Firing gear.
Brake gear.
Shield.
Axletree and wheels.
Sights.

#### Trail.

The trail is tubular and is secured to the axletree by a bracket, which also forms a pivot for the carriage body. The rear end is fitted with a spade, lifting handles, trail eye, and a traversing lever; the latter is folded down and held by a spring clip when not in use. Near its lower end is shrunk on a locking band; about its center is a band for the attachment of the brake arms and rear ends of tie rods, and in front of this again is a bracket with a dovetailed projection on which the rear end of the carriage body slides for purposes of traverse. The forward end of the trail is used for carrying the sponge staff and is closed by a door.

#### Carriage Body.

The body consists principally of two triangular-shaped brackets connected by transoms and provided with bearings on the underside at the front, through which the axletree passes and by which it is pivoted for traversing. To the underside at the rear is fitted a bracket in which is formed a groove to fit over the traversing bracket on the trail. Bearings are fitted on the top front to receive the cradle trunnions which are held in position by trunnion caps.

An arc, which is used in conjunction with a clamp on the trail and body to lock the body to the trail in traveling, is fitted on the right side; it allows of adjustment of the clamp as required.

#### Cradle.

The cradle is of bronze, with steel trunnions to pivot it to the carriage body, the left trunnion being prolonged and threaded for the reception of a stud for supporting the rocking bar sight; it has an opening in the lower portion for the gun and in the upper portion for the spring case. Longitudinal recesses are cut in the inner surface of the lower portion for the reception of the guides on the jacket of the gun. A steel guard is fitted to the left side to protect the gun layer, and a notch and point are formed above the spring case for rough laying.

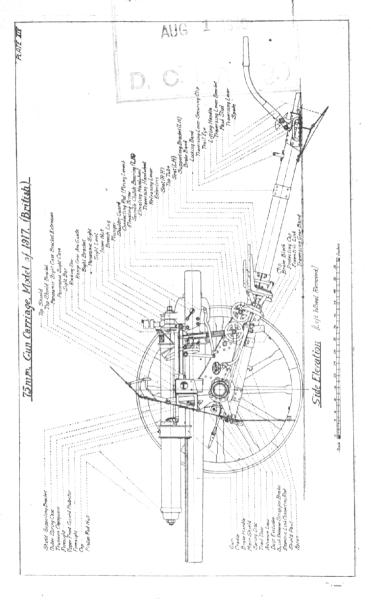
#### Cradle-Clamping Gear.

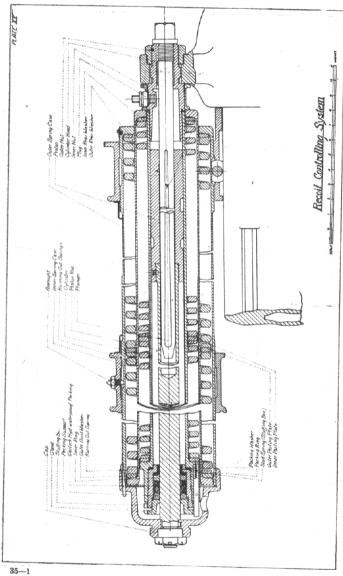
The gear is provided to clamp the cradle to the carriage body in the traveling position. A spindle with clutches and handle is fixed to the carriage body, so that when the gun is fully elevated the clutches may be made to engage with semicircular shaped lugs formed on the underside of the cradle and rigidly fix the cradle to the carriage. Two stops are fitted to the carriage body to limit the travel of the handle of the clutch spindle. This gear also determines the point of maximum elevation. In the event of the clamping gear becoming jammed and difficult to release it can be overcome by easing the lower elevating wheel by hand before unclamping.

#### Hydraulic Buffer and Counter-Recoil Springs. (PLATE XV.)

The hydraulic buffer, which is contained in the spring case in the upper portion of the cradle, consists of a cylinder, piston with rod, control plunger, and stuffing box with gland. The cylinder is closed at the rear by the control plunger and at the front by the stuffing box and gland, which are locked in the required position by a spring stud. The cylinder is attached to the gun and secured by two nuts. A number of longitudinal grooves are formed on its inner surface, the depths of which are graduated so that the space

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for the flow of the liquid between the piston and the cylinder varies during recoil; by this means an approximately constant pressure is maintained in the buffer throughout the stroke. The front end of the piston rod is fixed to the front of the spring case. The rear end is bored for the reception of the control plunger, which by displacing the liquid inside the piston rod brings the gun gently to rest when returning to battery.

A filling hole, closed by a plug with chain, is provided near the top rear end of the cylinder.

The buffer contains about 4½ pints of hydroline oil.

The counter-recoil springs surround the hydraulic buffer cylinder, and are inclosed in a steel case which is screwed into the cradle above the gun. They consist of two sets, inner and outer, which are held under initial compression between an external flange on the front end of buffer cylinder, and an internal flange at the rear end of the outer spring case; each set is divided into four sections, separated by parting plates; the inner and outer sets are also separated longitudinally by an inner case.

For the better detection of a leak in the gland, holes are bored in the spring cases; four holes near the rear end of the inner spring case, and two holes underneath, one at the front and one at the rear of the outer spring case.

Action —When the gun recoils on firing it draws the buffer cylinder with it to the rear; the liquid in the cylinder in passing from front to rear of piston, is forced through the grooves in the cylinder, which sets up an hydraulic resistance, so absorbing the energy of recoil and bringing the gun to rest. The shape of the grooves is such that the flow space gradually diminishes and by this means the stability of the carriage is never disturbed. Meanwhile the counter-recoil springs have been further compressed; their subsequent expansion causes the gun to return to the firing position, and in doing so the control plunger displaces the liquid in the rear end of the piston rod, the liquid escaping over the tapered flats which results in the gun being gently brought to rest in the firing position.

Elevating and Range Gear. (PLATES XVI, XVII.)

The elevating gear is divided into two portions, upper and lower, by the employment of a double-ended elevating screw, to the center of which a rod carrying a bracket to which the arc of the range gear and sights are attached.

The gears are so arranged that the elevation of the gun can be altered without altering the line of sight. The handwheel on the left of the carriage is for aligning the sight on the target (the range indicator remaining stationary), while the handwheel on the right side is

actuated until the required range is indicated on the yard-scale ring (the sight remaining stationary).

The range indicator is fitted to the right side close to the hand-wheel, and consists of a yard-scale ring graduated on its face in hundreds of yards; the periphery of the ring is graduated up to 16 degrees, with readings for every 10 minutes. (See footnote.)

The yard and degree scale ring is prevented from slipping by two woodite washers, placed one on either side of the ring. The washer on the inside bears between the ring and a spring case, and that on the outside between the ring and a jamming plate.

The gear is supported on a cross spindle which is held in bearings in the cradle. The left end of the spindle carries a pinion which works in the arc supported from the center of the elevating screw. The spring case contains a clock spring which eliminates backlash between arc and pinion.

A bracket is fastened to arc of the range gear. This bracket is provided with a seat for the panoramic sight carrier. This carrier is provided at its upper end with a slot and detent for holding and clamping the panoramic sight.

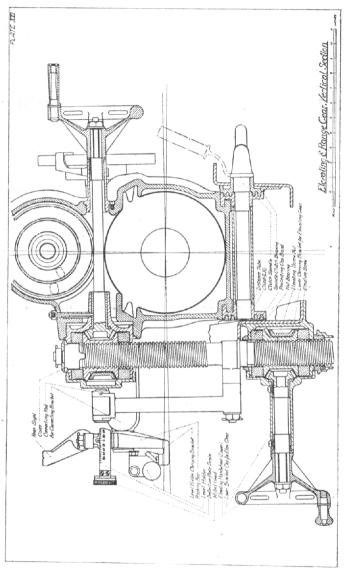
The sight carrier may be raised in its seat to permit sighting over the main shield. A clamp screw is provided for holding it in its proper position.

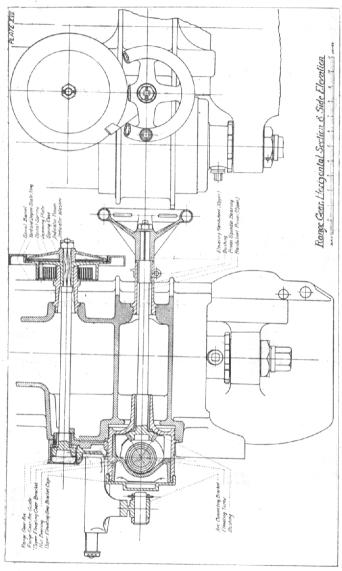
On coming into action (gun being in battery), release the clamping handles of the cradle and carriage body clamping gears, place the traversing pointer at 0°, and bring the gun to about the horizontal position by means of the left elevating handwheel. Either gear, elevating or range, can then be worked as required.

#### Traversing Gear. (PLATE XVIII.)

The traversing gear consists principally of a crosshead, link nut, and an actuating screw with a handwheel. The crosshead is pivoted vertically to the traversing bracket on which the rear end of the carriage body slides. The working parts are protected from dust by cotton packing packed around the outside of the link nut. The nut is linked to the carriage body, and by means of the handwheel on the end of the screw four degrees of traverse right or left can be obtained. A scale strip and pointer indicate the angle of traverse. The scale strip has black graduations on brass on the left and white graduations on a black ground on the right side of zero. A leather loop fixed to the cap of the lower elevating gear bracket is slipped over the handle of the handwheel to prevent the latter turning when traveling.

Note.—The yard-scale ring is graduated according to the French-American system and not according to the British practice described above.





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#### Firing Gear.

The firing gear is arranged so that the cannoneer can fire the gun without altering his position when laying. It is attached to the left side of the cradle and consists principally of a connecting rod, connecting arm, and a spring lever, which engages with the trigger of the gun. The connecting arm is pivoted to a fulcrum on the cradle at one end; the other end is connected to a spring lever by the connecting rod, which is provided with a handle for operating the gear. After firing, the handle is returned by a spring attached to the lever and the guard protecting the cannoneer.

The gun can be fired when within 2 inches from the "in battery!" position.

#### Brake Gear.

The tire brake is for use when traveling, and is always to be used when firing. It consists principally of two brake arms, two cranked levers, connecting rods, and an actuating screw. The brake arms are pivoted at one end to a bracket on the trail, and provided at the other end with the service cast-iron brake block, which acts on the wheels. Each of the cranked levers is pivoted to brackets on the axletree, one on each side of the carriage body; one arm of each lever is connected in front of the axletree by a connecting rod; the outer arm of the right-hand lever is provided with a nut, through which the front end of the actuating screw passes, the other end of the screw being linked to the right brake arm. The other arm of the left-hand lever is connected to the left-hand brake arm by a rod and eccentric link; a releasing lever, with an eccentric pivoted to the connecting rod and link, enables the brake to be quickly released when required. When traveling, the lever is secured by a quick release strap, and the connecting rod by a leather tie passed around it and the left tensile stay at the point of crossing.

The brake arms are actuated by the handle at the end, or by the cross handle near the center of the actuating screw.

#### Shield.

The shield is of armor plate. It is in three parts, the upper and lower portions of which are hinged. The main portion is attached to the axletree by supporting brackets, and to the trail by a flange with bolts. The lower portion for traveling is secured to the trail by a pawl, with a releasing lever and locking pin. The upper portion is lowered for traveling, or when using aiming points in conjunction with the panoramic sight in front of the battery. The panoramic-sight opening is provided with a hinged shutter for protection of

the gunlayer when the rocking bar sight is not in use; it is raised or lowered by a lever.

A sheet-steel box, with leather-lined packing blocks called the "panoramic-sight case" attached to the rear face (left side) of the main shield, provides a place for the panoramic sight in traveling. The spare-part case, which is made of a block of wood and entirely covered, is carried on the right side of the main shield. On this side of the shield is also a bracket for carrying the horizontal oiler.

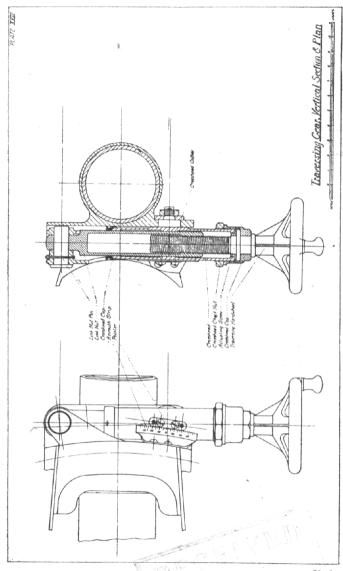
#### Axletree and Wheels.

The axletree is a tubular steel forging; it passes through bearings on the carriage body and trail and is secured by a center pin which passes through the trail bracket and axletree, and two outside pins which pass through the brackets fitting over the axletree against the outside of the carriage body bearings, one either side, and the axletree itself. A bracket feathered to each shoulder of the axletree is recessed on its outer face for the reception of an L-shaped leather ring, which is secured by a steel plate. The L-leather envelopes the inner end of pipe box, and prevents the ingress of dirt. The outer end of each arm is fitted for a linchpin and an adjusting collar, which has a number of recesses (through which the linchpin passes) cut in one face; the recesses are of varying depths, from 0.2 to 0.5 inch, increasing by 0.05 inch, so that any reduction in the length of the pipe box, due to wear, may be adjusted.

The axletree is braced by a tie-rod on either side; the front ends of the rods are attached to the axletree brackets while their rear ends are bolted to the brake band on the trail.

The wheels are 4 feet 8 inches diameter, with steel flanges, removable box, and a 3-inch steel tire with rounded edges. The flanges are of corrugated steel, connected by bolts which pass through the ends of the spokes. The inner flange is fitted with a steel ring to strengthen it, and the other flange with a centering ring. The box passes through the center of the flanges, and is secured by a nut, which is prevented from working loose by a lock plate, which fits over the octagonal nut, and has two arms through which it is bolted to the flange. A cap is screwed on the outer end of the box; it incloses the adjusting collar, linchpin, and the end of the axlettee arm. The inner face of the cap is recessed for the reception of a corresponding projecting ring on the nut, the cap being secured to the nut by a split pin. The box is provided with a lubricating hole, which is closed with a ½-inch screw.

The drag washer is free to revolve round the nut, and is secured by the dust cap.



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#### CARE AND PRESERVATION OF CARRIAGES.

#### CARRIAGE.

TO REMOVE THE HYDRAULIC BUFFER AND SPRINGS (GUN IN BATTERY).

NOTE.—Care should be taken that no one is standing in front of the carriage while the operation is being carried out.

- 1. Place the gun at depression and remove the outer nut, securing buffer cylinder, which will allow the cylinder to bear against the outer spring case cap.
- 2. Attach the spring compressor to the buffer and take up the tension on the counterrecoil springs.
- 3. Remove the piston rod nut, the outer spring case cap, and filling plug.
- 4. Release gradually the spring compressor and the inner nut securing buffer cylinder as the springs are released.

When the springs are fully extended remove the spring compressor and remove the springs with parting plates, bearing washers, inner spring case, and buffer cylinder from the front, care being taken when removing the cylinder that the filling hole is kept upright to prevent loss of oil.

#### TO REPLACE THE HYDRAULIC BUFFER AND SPRINGS.

- 1. Slightly depress the gun. Replace the rear washer at the end of the outer spring case with radius to the rear, and insert three of the outer springs and parting plates in correct order.
- 2. Insert the inner spring case with front washer (radius to the front) and one outer spring in position.
- 3. Place an inner spring with the rear washer in the inner spring case (radius to the rear), and insert two more inner springs with parting plates in the correct position.
- 4. Place the front washer (radius to the front) and the remaining inner spring on the buffer cylinder.
  - 5. Attach the spring compressor to the buffer.
- 6. Replace the cylinder, care being taken that the filling hole is at the top and that the inner nut-securing cylinder is passed onto the spring compressor before the latter enters the lug of the gun. Replace the outer spring case cap and piston rod nut on piston rod (first seeing that the split pin retaining stuffing-box stud is placed in position and the point opened), care being taken to insure that the keyway in the cap engages the key on the end of the piston rod.
- 7. Compress the springs, care being taken that the keys on the end of the cylinder are in the correct position to enter the keyways in the

lug of the gun and that the inner nut-securing cylinder is correctly secured by screwing it up while compressing the springs.

8. Screw on the cap, remove the spring compressor, replace the outer nut-securing cylinder, and the filling plug.

In removing and replacing the recoil cylinder, the gun must be kept at depression or properly secured.

Note. - When the gun falls to counterrecoil correctly it is probably due to any of the following causes:

(i) Weak or broken springs.

(ii) Dirt or want of lubrication on either gun guides or cradle guideways.

(iii) Distortion of either the guides or guideways.

(iv) Buffer gland screwed up too tightly.

(v) Too much oil in buffer: or, if the gun remains practically at full recoil.

(vi) Front flange of inner spring case is broken.

If the instructions given on page 42 for filling the buffer have been carefully carried out, excess of oil will only appear after rapid and continuous firing, due to the raising of the temperature of the oil, and, therefore, oil should not be removed from the buffer until it has been decided, by the elimination of the other causes, that the failure to run up is due to excess of oil.

When this has been decided, the gun should be brought to the horizontal position and the buffer unscrewed sufficiently to allow the excess of oil to escape. This oil should be caught in some clean receptacle, and returned in the usual manner to the buffer when the latter has a ain cooled down. Great care must be taken to screw home tightly the buffer after the heated oil has been extracted. The amount of oil to be withdrawn will be determined by the gun moving forward to its correct position.

In case (vi) when the failure to counter recoil is due to the breakage of the spring case, special precautions will have to be taken when removing the buffer and springs, and are as follows:

(1) Place the gun at depression and run it back to a distance of about 43 inches from the cradle (metal to metal), the breech being supported on the trail on skidding.

(2) The piston rod nut should not be removed.

(3) Secure a rope to the lug on the breech ring of the gun and man it toward the rear by four men. This will remove the pressure of the outer springs from the threads of the cap on the outer spring case. While the rope is manned, unscrew the cap, taking care to keep clear of the muzzle.

(4) Ease up the pull on the check rope, and allow the gun to run up gradually; at the same time, the motion should be assisted by relieving the weight of the gun at the rear. The outer springs will then have extended to their normal condition.

(5) Remove the piston rod nut, cap, the front broken portion of inner spring case and one outer spring, care being taken not to bend

the piston rod.

6. Bun the gun to the firing position and remove the inner springs and the remaining outer springs by attaching the spring compressor, this operation being similar to that before detailed, except that when the inner nut is removed the initial compression of the inner springs will tend to force the gun to the rear about 10 inches. A light drag rope should be used to prevent this.

## PRECAUTIONS TO BE OBSERVED TO PREVENT VIOLENT RECOILS AND CONSEQUENT DAMAGE TO THE CARRIAGE.

1. Before going into action the rings, packing, hydraulic buffer should be carefully examined and changed if defective.

2. When tightening up a packing ring, the gland should not be screwed home, metal to metal, in the stuffing box. If the packing can not be made tight without doing this, a fresh packing must be used or an additional thin ring packing put in.

3. Buffers should be correctly filled before going into action, and

examined from time to time to see that they are full.

4. As often as opportunity permits, the gland should be examined and, if necessary, screwed up when the buffer is hot from firing. The packing is then very plastic and is easily squeezed to make a good joint.

5. If, during firing, oil is being lost from the buffer and recoil becomes excessive, the packing ring must be either renewed or adjusted; otherwise the gun will most certainly be put out of action in a short time, and most probably the buffer will be damaged.

Note.—Spare packing rings soaked in tallow should be kept ready

for immediate use.

#### TO TIGHTEN OR RENEW THE PACKING.

If any leakage of oil takes place at the gland, the packing should be tightened; if this will not stop the leak, the packing must be renewed.

#### TO TIGHTEN THE PACKING (GUN IN POSITION).

1. Remove the piston rod nut and outer spring case cap.

2. Screw up the gland with the spanner No. 122. While in use the spanner must be kept against the face of the gland in order to disengage the retaining stud. The position of the gland after screwing up must permit of the retaining stud reengaging with a slot in the gland.

3. Replace spring case cap and piston rod nut, taking care that the key on the piston rod and the keyway in the cap are properly engaged.

TO RENEW THE PACKING RING IN THE STUFFING BOX (GUN IN POSITION).

1. Empty the cylinder at the buffer, and replace the buffer.

2. Unscrew and remove piston rod nut and front cap. Then unscrew the gland and withdraw the outer ring, supporting packing with the tools supplied, and replace the packing with fresh material, using the metal collar of the packing tools to assist the packing ring over the shoulder of the piston rod. Replace the supporting ring, gland, and cap, and refill the cylinder.

If there is any difficulty in removing the old packing from the stuffing box, the latter should be removed from the buffer and the packing removed by inserting the plug of the packing tool into the

stuffing box and driving the packing out.

Note.—If the gun is not in position, the "spring compressor" must be attached to the control plunger before the cap is removed.

Split pin securing stud retaining stuffing box.—On the inserting and opening out this pin, care must be taken to see that the retaining stud when pushed right back clears the flange of the stuffing box to permit of its removal. The head and point of the pin should be set to the front if necessary to clear the end of the slot and to allow the stud to go back far enough to clear the stuffing box.

To fill the buffer.—(Quantity of hydroline oil, about 4½ pints.)—
Place the gun at extreme depression, remove the filling plug, unscrew the control plunger two turns, to admit of the escape of air, and fill the cylinder, using funnel. After filling the cylinder about one-tenth of a pint of oil should be extracted. Replace the plug and tighten the buffer. Great care must be taken that no dust or gritty matter is poured in with the oil.

be left out for about 15 minutes, if time permits, and the cylinder again examined to see that it is properly filled.

- ALTERNATIVE LIQUIDS WHICH MAY BE USED IN THE CYLINDER IN CASE OF EMERGENCY.
- 1. Pure glycerine or a mixture of equal parts of glycerine and water, a strike and he hearts
- 2. Any heavy lubricating oil.

3. Soapy water, or water containing a proportion of soda.

4. Clear water may be used in a great emergency only, but it should on no account be allowed to remain in the cylinder for longer than is absolutely necessary, on account of its rusting action.

Kerosene, paraffin, or similar burning oils, must on no account be used for this purpose.

#### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS.

#### ELEVATING GEAR.

In replacing the bearings and elevating nuts, care must be taken that the open side of the bearing is inserted first in the upper gear, and the closed side first in the lower gear (with the teeth of the elevating nuts at the top in both cases), so as to insure that the gun is always elevated by revolving the handwheels toward the rear, or depressed by revolving the handwheels toward the front.

#### RANGE INDICATOR.

The yard and degree scale should be kept perfectly clean, free from grit, burrs, or dents, and the revolving surfaces slightly greased.

In replacing the eccentric bushing in the arc guides, care must be taken that the bushing is placed in such a position as to insure the least possible play between the teeth of the pinion and the elevating arc. The grooves in the eccentric bushing which engage the stop pin are arranged to give eight adjustments, which are numbered 1 to 8, Nos. 1 and 8 representing the minimum and maximum setting, respectively.

A certain number of bushings have the grooves numbered 1 to 8, but Nos. 1 and 5 indicate the minimum and maximum setting, respectively.

The order of adjustment for each pattern bushing is as follows:

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Second adjustment Third adjustment	 			2	2
Fourth adjustment	 		- Car	$\bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc 4$	
Sixth adjustment	 	-		6	
Seventh adjustment. Eighth adjustment				8	

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#### TO REMOVE THE INDICATOR.

Remove the rocking bar sight and disconnect the rod connecting elevating screw at the arc joint; withdraw the arc until it is out of gear with the pinion, holding the spring case by hand while doing so; gradually release the tension (by hand) on the spring by allowing the spring case to revolve slowly, so as to prevent the breaking of the spring, and remove the indicator from the spindle.

#### TO REPLACE THE INDICATOR.

Remove the jamming plate, the two woodite washers, and yard scale ring; place the spring barrel on the bearing on the cradle, and the spring case with spring on the spindle; turn the spring case by hand to the front until the spring is at full tension, release the spring case about a quarter of a turn, and engage the arc and connecting rod; replace the yard scale ring, washers, and jamming plate. Replace rocking bar sight and adjust the yard scale ring to the horizontal plane of the gun.

BRAKE GEAR.

When the brake is applied, the releasing lever must be pushed forward to a horizontal position.

Any wear in the eccentric can be adjusted by screwing up the connecting bolt of the link eccentric.

When assembling the "lever, releasing brake," the hexagon on the spindle portion of the lever must be placed in the eccentric so as to give the maximum amount of throw.

#### TRAVERSING GEAR.

The pivot of the crosshead should be kept properly screwed up, and any lateral play in the traversing screw adjusted by tightening the crosshead cap and the check nut.

#### CLAMPING GEAR FOR CARRIAGE BODY.

This clamp should always be on when traveling. To put on the clamp, the lever is pulled to the rear, which tightens the nut and draws the carriage down to the trail, thus making it difficult to turn the traversing handwheel.

If, owing to the wear, the lever can not be moved sufficiently to tighten the clamp properly, it must be moved to another position on the octagonal nut.

In action the lever must be pushed as far forward as possible.

#### GEAR, CLAMPING CRADLE.

Care should be taken that the handle of the clutch spindle is always against the stops when not in use.

The cradle can only be clamped when the gun is at extreme ele-

vation. The gear is intended for use when traveling only.

In replacing the clamping gear the clutches (which are left and right) must be correctly placed on the spindle, i. e., the thinnest portion of the eccentric being to the front, and both in the same relative positions on the spindle, so as to engage the bearing on the cradle at the same time.

#### PIN, LOCKING SHIELD PAWL.

It should be carefully noted that this pin is always in proper position when traveling.

Wheel.

The wheel is fitted with dust cap, which can be removed with a No. 93 spanner; lateral play between end of box and linchpin can be adjusted by means of an adjusting collar with slots, through which the linchpins pass; the slots vary in depth from 0.2 to 0.5 inch; the difference in depth between each slot allows for a wear of 0.05 inch.

Great care must be taken not to damage the sights when removing or replacing. The parts of the carriage to which the sights are attached must be absolutely clean and free from burrs.

Sights.

#### DEFLECTION SCREW AND NUT.

Should be kept free from grit and dirt and should be well greased, and if removed for any purpose care should be taken in replacing that the spring in the nut (the latter being in halves) is properly compressed before entering the screw. The spring fitted in the deflection nut, to obviate backlash, may be found stronger than is necessary for its work, the result being stiffening and increased wear on the screw. The spring should require a weight of 5 to 7 pounds to compress it to 0.9 inch.

#### Adjusting Bushing.

To be kept clean and well oiled, and if removed for any purpose steps should be taken to have the sight adjusted to the vertical plane of the gun.

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#### YARD SCALE RING.

This should be kept clean and oiled, and if removed for any purpose on replacing it should be set to the horizontal plane of the gun and sight.

CAP SQUARES.

To remove cradle cap squares for cleaning, etc., the carriage body must be traversed as far as it will go to the left to admit the right cap square key being removed, and to the right to remove the left key.

TO REMOVE THE OUTER SPRING CASE FROM CRADLE.

1. Dismount the gun.

2. Carefully remove the buffer, consisting of the cylinder, piston

rod, inner and outer springs, and inner spring case.

3. Remove the upper protectors (curved), rough foresight, upper handwheel pinion spindle of the elevating gear, and the indicator pinion spindle of the range gear.

4. Unscrew the spring case (by means of a rope and a handspike, or other suitable appliance). Care must be taken, when the first portion of the thread of the spring case is disengaged from the cradle, that the second portion of the thread is properly entered and not cross-threaded; also that the threads are clean and lubricated.

#### TO REPLACE THE OUTER SPRING CASE.

- 1. The converse of the above action takes place in reassembling the spring case and recoil cylinders.
- 2. Before mounting the gun the "protector slide" on the front end of the cradle should be removed to prevent the leather portion of the protector forcing out the metal and breaking off the screws when sliding the gun home.
  - 3. After the gun is mounted, replace the "protector slide."

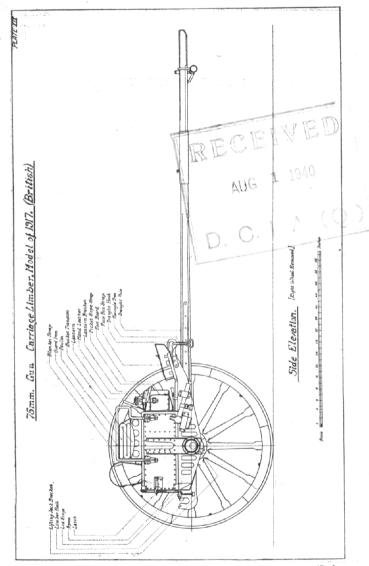
REPLACEMENT LIMITS OF COUNTERRECOIL SPRINGS.

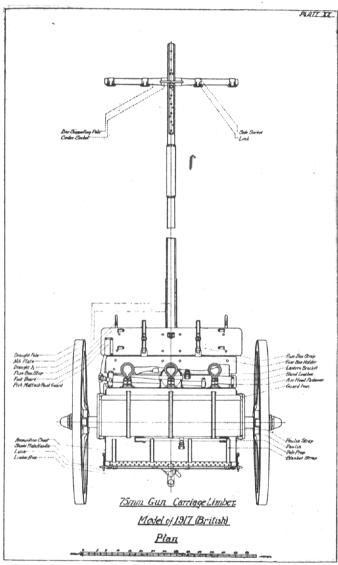
The normal free length of each counter recoil spring is as follows:

Any one spring, inner or outer, found with a permanent set of 1½ inches or more below the normal free length of the spring, will be replaced.

The strictest compliance with the above instructions can not be overestimated.

In all reports and correspondence the gun and carriage should be designated as given on the name plates.





#### List of lubricating holes.

Fittings which are provided with oil holes for lubricating purposes.	Num- ber of holes.	Position of holes.
CARRIAGE.		
Cap squares (2)each	1	
Bearings, axletree (2)do	1	In lubricating cup, 1 on each side.
Bearings, clutch spindle (2).do	î	Inside carriage body, 1 on each side.
Cap, lower bracket of elevating gear	2	In bearing portion for handwheel
	_	spindle on left side.
Cradle: Body	8	7 in sides for oiling sliding surfaces, and 1 on left side at rear, with tube
Bearing, pinion, spindle handwheel	1	for lubricating handwheel spindle. On right side close to handwheel.
Bolts connecting—		
Cranked levers (3)each	1	2 on left side and 1 on right, close to shield.
Eccentric link	1	In head of bolt, right side, near brake
Fork actuating screw	1	In head of bolt, left side, near brake blocks.
Fork, actuating screw	1	On right side.
Link, eccentric	1	On left side.
Gear, elevating: Rod, connecting elevating screw.	1	In lower end.
Gear, firing:		
Arm, connecting		In upper end, left side.
Rod, connecting		1 at each end, left side.
Bracket, connecting arc, range gear	1	On left side.
Bolts connecting brake arms (2) each.		In head of each bolt.
Crosshead, traversing gear		
Lever, traversing	. 1	At jointed end of lever, near plunger
Sight, rocking bar	. 1	For oiling arm trunnion supporting sight.
Wheels	. 1	In inner flange.

## 75-MM. CARRIAGE LIMBER, MODEL OF 1917 (BRITISH). WEIGHTS, DIMENSIONS, ETC.

#### (Prates XIX XX XXI.)

(I LAILS ZELZE, ZELZE)
Weight, complete, emptypounds 1,055
Weight of tools and equipment carrieddo 150
Weight of ammunition carried (shrappel)dodo
Weight, completely equipped and loadeddo1,636
Weight of gun, carriage and limber, completely equipped with 21 rounds of
ammunition pounds 4,523
Diameter of wheels inches 56
Width of track
Turning angle with carriage

#### DESCRIPTION.

The limber consists of a steel frame, a limber hook, an axletree, pole, an ammunition box, and two wheels.

The frame consists of four futchels, connected at the front end by a trough-shaped splinter bar, and at the center by braces. Plat-

form and footboards are fitted to the top, and draft hooks for the swingletrees to the front of the outer futchels. A steel limber hook is riveted to the rear end of the inner futchels.

The axletree is of weldless steel tube; it is fixed by flanges to the futchels. The linchpin and adjusting collar are similar to those for the carriage.

The pole fittings consist of a pole, a neck yoke, and two swingle-trees. The pole and bar are for use with the pole breast harness. The pole is 12 feet 4½ inches in length over all; the front end is protected by steel wrapping plates; a U-shaped tug is passed through the hole from the underside and secured by a nut on the top. The tug forms a stop for the neck yoke and its position from the point of the pole may be varied, according to requirements. The pole bar is fitted at the center with an oval loop, formed to pass over the front end of the pole and butt against the tug. Two links are fitted on each side of the loop, by means of which the bar is attached to the neck piece of the harness.

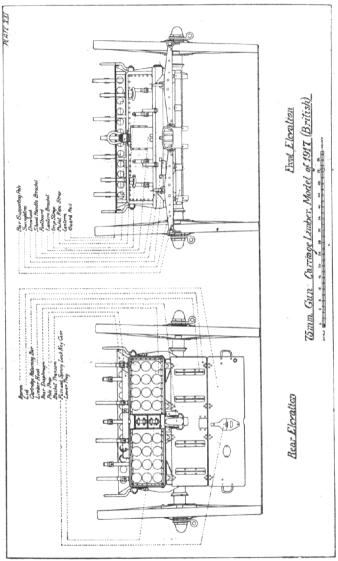
The ammunition box is of steel, and opens at the rear; it is constructed to carry 24 rounds of "fixed" ammunition, is fitted with guards, is secured to the frame by rivets, and supported by side connecting plates and gusset plates. Internally it is fitted with perforated diaphragms to carry 75-mm, ammunition. A compartment is formed in the center for two wood trays for small stores. The lid is hinged to the bottom of the box, and is provided with a shield plate of the same width, which hangs vertically below the lid when opened. The shield plate is hinged to the lid, and, when closed, the former is folded over the latter, which is secured by catches on each side of the box.

The limber is fitted for carrying three tubular oil cans and bucket holders for three canvas watering buckets.

The wheels are the same as those described for the carriage.

# THE 75-MM. GUN CAISSON LIMBER, MODEL OF 1918. WEIGHTS, DIMENSIONS, ETC.

# (Plates XXII, XXIII.) Weight complete, empty pounds 987 Weight of tools and equipment carried (oil cans filled) do 113 Weight of ammunition carried do 675 Weight, completely equipped and loaded do 1,775 Rounds of ammunition carried in limber chest number 39 Diameter of wheels inches 56 Width of track do 60 Free height under limber do 60 Free height under limber do 24 Turning angle with caisson do 81



#### Nomenclature of parts.

No.	Name of part.	Location, etc.	Property classifi- cation.		
		incation, ow.	Class.	Sec-	
	Wheels and wheel fastenings complete. Middle rail(upper and lower half),	Same as on caisson	)		
1 1 1 1 1	consisting of— Doubletree bolt Doubletree nut. Doubletree strap. Pole clamp	In top of pole clampOn doubletree boltRiveted to middle raildo.			
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Pole-clamp bolt Pole-clamp nut Pole pin Pole-pin reinforce plate Pole stop Prop bracket	In pole clamp On pole-clamp bolt. Secures pole in seat Riveted to middle rail at pin. Riveted in middle rail Riveted to pole clamp.			
2 1 1 1	Axle Axle bracket Side rail, right Side rail, left Name plate	Clamped to axle Riveted to axle bracket, right. Riveted to axle bracket, left Riveted to middle rail near pintle.		•	
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Limber prop, consisting of Prop chain Prop-chain fastening Prop-chain handle Prop eye Prop foot Prop tube	Assembled to middle rail by means of prop bracket. Fastened to prop tube	IV	5	
	Front tie rod, right	Ties middle rail and axle bracket.			
1 1 6 1 1	Front tie rod, left. Rear tie rod, right Rear tie rod, left. Tie-rod pins. Doubletree, consisting of. Doubletree body with reinforce.	do			
10 1 1 1	Separators.  Nipple separator.  Double hook, right.  Double hook, left.  Doubletree nipple.	Riveted together			
2	Nipple nut Doubletree rods Chains, doubletree rod	From doubletree to axle	D		

## Nomenclature of parts—Continued.

			Property classifi- cation.		
No. Name of part.		Location, etc.	1,1		
			Class.	Sec- tion.	
1 2 1	Foot rest, consisting of	Riveted to side rails			
1 1 1	Pick-handle fastener Pick-mattock point guard Pole-prop pocket. Pole-prop support.	Riveted on foot restdodo			
1 1 1	Prop-chain button	do do Riveted under foot rest For pickax strap			
1 1 1	Strap fastener No. 2	At rear end of middle rail			
1	Lock plates	Lock trunnion and pintle- bearing bolts. Seated in pintle bearing			
1 2 1 1	Pintle bearing Pintle-bearing bolts Pintle-bearing guide Pintle-bearing spring	Pivoted in guide Bolt guide to middle rail In rear end of middle rail In pintle bearing			
1 1 1	Pintle latch Pintle-latch pin Pintle-latch spring. Pintle nut	On pintle. Pins latch to pintle. On pintle On pintle shank.			
1 1 1 1	Pole-supporting spring Sleeve Spring rod. Spring-rod nut	On pintle shank In middle rail behind axle On spring rod	IV	3	
1 2 2	Spring-rod pin Trunnion bolts Handy oilers	Pivots spring rod to pintle bearing. In pintle-bearing guide For trunnion bolts			
1 1 1 1	Pole complete, consisting of— Butt reinforce. Neck-yoke chafing plate Neck-yoke counter stop	On rear end of pole			
1 1	Neck-yoke counter-stop pin . Neck-yoke counter-stop spring. Neck-yoke stop	dodo			
1	Pole body	Seated in front end of middle rail. In front end of pole			
1	Pole-pin bushing	In pole body at pin			
39	Ammunition-chest connect- ing pieces. Ax-handle support	Rolled into rear and middle diaphragms. Riveted to right side of chest			
1 1	Bottom plate, right	forms part of chest bottomdo			

## Nomenclature of parts-Continued.

-10	Mama of Yout			Property classifi- cation.		
No.	Name of part.	Location, etc.		Sec		
, o i		•	Class.	tion		
1	Box holder, lower right Box holder, lower left	Riveted to foot rest	1			
1	Box holder, lower left	do				
4						
2	Box stop, inner	do				
1	Box stop upper	Pivoted to how holder upper	- 5			
1	Box stop, inner. Box holder, upper Box stop, upper Bucket holder.	Riveted to bucket-holder tran-				
2	Bucket-holder transoms, right	Riveted to top of chest				
2 2	Bucket-holder transoms, left Chains, door	Fastened to door and handrail				
	,	shanks.	1			
2 4	Chains, No. 11	Fastened to door				
		rails.				
1 2	Door-chain fasteners	Forms back of chest				
1	Door frame	do do				
4	Door hinges male	do	1 11			
4	Door hinges, male	Riveted to bottom of chest				
1	Door-handle har	In hase				
2	Door-handle bases	Riveted to chest door	1 -			
4	Door-hinge pins	In hinges	1 1			
1	Front diaphragm	Inside chest		ô		
1	Front plate	Forms front of chest				
1	Front transom, right	Riveted to diaphragms	11 .	13		
1 1	Handrail formard brooket right	Divoted to side of sheet	T37			
i	Handrail forward bracket, light.	Riveted to side of chest	IV	-4/4		
i	Front diaphragm Front plate. Front transom, right. Front transom, left. Handrail forward bracket, right. Handrail forward bracket, left. Handrail rear bracket, right. Handrail trapes Handrail tubes Hatchet-blade bracket. Hatchet-handle fastener Hatchet-handle rest.	do	1			
i	Handrail rear bracket, left	do	1	٠,		
2	Handrail tubes	Riveted to hand-rail brackets	11.			
1	Hatchet-blade bracket	Riveted to left side of chest	Same of			
1	Hatchet-handle fastener	do				
1	Hatchet-handle rest	do	-	!		
1	Lantern-bracket body	Riveted to front plate				
	Hatchet-handle rest Lantern-bracket body Lantern-bracket bottom	Riveted to bracket body				
2 2	Lock bars Lock-bar bearings, right	Tibe god to look bon bear's				
2	Lock-bar basrings right	Riveted to ten plate				
2	Lock-bar bearings, right Lock-bar bearings, left. Mi idle diaphragm. Mi idle transoms, right Middle transoms, right Middle transoms, left. Padlock, No. 850. Pick guard, chisel point Pick-head fastener Rear diaphragm Rear transom, inner, right. Rear transom, inner, right. Rear transom, outer, left. Rear transom, outer, left. Reinforce pieces Shovel-handle bracket. Strap fasteners, No. 1. Strap fasteners, No. 2.	do				
1	Middle diaphragm	Inside chest				
2	Middle transoms, right	Riveted to diaphragms				
2	Middle transoms, left	do				
I	Padlock, No. 850	Chained to door				
1	Pick guard, chisel point	Riveted to left side of chest				
1	Pick-head fastener	do	1			
1	Rear diaphragm	Inside chest				
1	Rear transom, inner, right	Riveted to diaphragms				
1	Rear transom, inner, litt	do				
1 1	Poor transom, outer, right	du				
0	Painforce pieces	Sol lared to connecting pieces				
8	Shovel-handle bracket	Biveted to bottom of feet rest				
5	Strap fasteners No 1	For ax and naulin strans				
2	Stran factoners No. 2	For hove	1 3			

No.	Name of part.	Name of part. Location, etc.	Prop clas cati	sifi-
- 17	-		Class.	Sec-
16 3 1 3 1 2 2 2 2 2	Strap fasteners No. 5.  Strap fasteners, No. 7.  Strap fasteners No. 10.  Strap fasteners No. 12.  Top plate .  Top plate front fillers  Top plate rear fillers.  Wing nuts.  Wing-nut pins  Wing-nut pin washers.	For boxes. For hatchet and shovel straps Forms top and sides of chest Riveted to side railsdo Fastened to door plate	IV	

#### DESCRIPTION OF GUN CAISSON LIMBER.

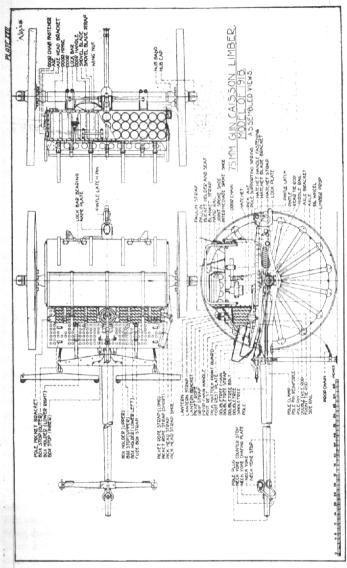
#### (PLATES XXII AND XXIII.)

The limber is of metal throughout, excepting the spokes and felloes of the wheels. The principal parts of the limber are the wheels, axle, frame, ammunition chest, pole, doubletree, singletrees, and neck yoke.

The wheels are the same as and interchangeable with those on the caisson.

The axle is of forged steel, made in one piece.

The frame consists of a middle and two side rails. The middle rail is in the form of a split cylinder, one half passing below and the other half above the axle. The two halves are united in front to form a pole seat and in rear to form a seat for the pintle-bearing guide. Two axle brackets are clamped about the axle near the axle arms with two bolts each, and are provided with lugs. Tie rods. two in front and two in rear, are pinned to these lugs and attached to the front and rear ends of the middle rail, bracing the pole and pintle seat. To the front end of the middle rail is riveted the pole clamp, a steel collar, split on one side and provided with a clamping bolt for drawing the two halves of the middle rail firmly about the pole. A seat for the doubletree is formed on top of the pole clamp; the doubletree bolt projects up through this seat and through the doubletree: its upper end is threaded for a nut and is braced back to the middle rail by a doubletree strap. Riveted to the lower side of the pole clamp is the prop bracket, which is connected to the prop,



a steel tube provided with a bronze foot, by the prop eye. When not in use, this prop is swung up under the frame by a chain, which is attached to the lower end of the tube by a prop-chain fastening, and reaches up through the foot rest, where it terminates in a prop-chain handle. It is held in the raised position by hooking the handle over a prop-chain button provided on the foot rest for that purpose.

When limbered up with another vehicle, this limber has in its pintle and pintle bearing an automatic pole support. The pintle hook has a lug formed on its lower side, which projects backward and bears against the underside of the lunette on the drawn vehicle. thus preventing the vertical rotation of the pintle. The pintlebearing guide is a steel voke fixed in the rear end of the middle rail. The pintle bearing is of bronze, pivoted to the guide by two trunnion bolts: it is bored out to receive the shank of the pintle and is counterbored in front for the pintle-bearing spring. The latter, assembled about a sleeve fitting over the pintle shank, is compressed between a pintle nut and the pintle bearing, and absorbs the shock of starting. The sleeve checks the movement of the pintle nut before the spring becomes compressed solid. On top of the pintle bearing is formed a lug, to which is pinned one end of a spring rod, the other end of which is threaded for a spring rod nut and slotted to receive a guide bolt that passes through the middle rail near the axle. This spring rod, guided in the rear by a vertical wall of the pintle-bearing guide, through which it passes, and in the front by the guide bolt through the slot, as stated, is drawn backward by the relative action of the pintle bearing on its trunnions, compresses the pole-supporting spring, which is assembled about it, between the spring rod nut and the vertical wall of the pintle-bearing guide. When the limber pole is dropped, the pintle tends to rise. Being held down, however, by the lunette in it, the pintle bearing is forced to swing on its trunnion bolts and draw the spring rod backward, thus compressing the pole-supporting spring until the reaction of the spring is sufficient to support the pole.

The pintle is similar to that on the gun caisson.

The side rails are of channel shape, fitting down over the axle brackets and riveted thereto. The rear ends project slightly behind the chest to form steps for the use of cannoneers in mounting; the front ends are bent up to support the foot rest. To the middle portions are riveted the chest, which they support, and of which they form a part of the bottom. The foot rest is a perforated sheet of flange steel formed to shape and riveted to the side rails.

The ammunition chest is a rectangular steel box built up of sheet steel, riveted together. The front plate is flanged all around and is riveted through the flanges to the top plate, which forms the top, sides, and part of the bottom of the chest. The remainder of the bottom is formed by two bottom plates and by the side rails. The door is made of a steel plate riveted to a frame. The door is hinged at the bottom and swings downward and to the rear to an approximately horizontal position, where it is held by two door chains, attached to the handrail shanks, and to the door by door-chain fasteners.

The front plate and the door of the chest are strengthened by vertical corrugations pressed into the metal, those in the chest door serving as shields for the primers of the cartridges. The door is held in its closed position by two lock bars, each hinged in two lock-bar bearings riveted to the top of the chest. Door fastenings are similar to those on caisson.

Inside the chest the cartridges are supported by three vertical diaphragms, flanged all around and riveted to the body of the chest. Each disphragm is perforated with 39 flanged holes. Between the diaphragms, riveted to them and supporting them, are 10 vertical plates called transoms, the lower ends of which are riveted to the middle and side rails.

The doubletree and singletrees are formed of flange steel. The hole in the former for the doubletree bolt is bushed with a bronze nipple held in place by a steel nut, and may be replaced when worn. Two doubletree rods reach from the ends of the doubletree to the tie-rod clamps on the axle to which they are pinned. The neck yoke is now made of steel sleeves and rings.

The pole is now made of steel and is prevented from turning in its seat by a pole pin. To the front end of the pole is riveted a pole plug and a neck-yoke stop. Just forward of the neck-yoke stop is the neck-yoke counterstop, which, with its spring, is hinged to the pole body and works through a slot cut in the under side of the pole. A pole prop is hinged to the rear end of the pole and when not in use it is secured by fastenings under the limber frame and the propochain button on the foot rest.

# THE 75-MM. GUN CAISSON, MODEL OF 1918. WEIGHTS, PRINCIPAL DIMENSIONS, ETC.

#### (PLATES XXIV AND XXV.)

Weight empty, without implements and ammunition		
Weight of tools and equipment carried	do	
Weight of ammunition carried	do	
Weight, completely equipped and loaded	do	• • •
Weight with limber, completely equipped and with 106 r	ounds of ammuni-	
tion		525
Rounds of ammunition carried		70
Diameter of wheels	inches	56
Width of track, center to center of 3-inch tires	do	60
Free height under caisson		21
Turning angle		81
	_	

## Nomenclature of parts.

No.	Name of part.	Location, etc.	Property classification.	
NO.	Name of part.	Docasion, co.	Class.	Sec-
2	Wheels, 56-inch, complete, con-			
16	sisting of— Tire bolts, with nuts and washers.	***************************************	)	
8			11	
64	Fellogrivets and washers			
8			H	
16	Snokes, right		11	
16	Spokes, left		11	1
2	Tires			
2	Hub haves		11	
2 2	Hub liners	Forced into hub boxes	11	
2	Hub rings	Outer flanges of hubs	11	1
16	Carriage bolts	Bolt hub box and ring to		
16	Carriage-bolt nuts	Screwed on hub boxes	1	
2	Hub bands	Screwed on hub boxes	11	
2	Lock washers	Between hub bands and hub	IV	
2	Hub caps	On end of hubs	11	
2	Hub latches with rivets	Actuate hub-latch plungers	11.	
2	Hub-latch springs	Lock hub caps in place		
2	Hub-latch plungers	Lock hub caps in place		
2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	Oil valves	Slide in hub caps		
2	Washers (oil valve)			
- 2	Springs (oil valve)	At and a of arlo		İ
2	Wheel fastenings, consisting of—	At ends of axie		1
2	Wheel festening prungers			
2	W neer-tastening springs			1
24	Intermediate engle chees	Riveted to felloe		
- 8	Loint enova shoes	do		
32	Snove-shoe plates	Scale in spoke shoes		
40	Spoke shoo rivote	Scale in spoke shoes:		1

No.	Name of part.	Location, etc.	Property classifica- tion.	
			Class.	Sec
1 2 4	Axle Axle brackets. Bolts with nuts and rins. Bra's lever sha't bearing bolts. Middle rail, complete, consisting	Bolted over axle		
,1	Middle rail, left	Riveted to middle rail top plate.		
1	Middle rail, right	do		
1	Middle rail transom	Riveted between middle rails.		
2	Wheel guards with chain guide pins.	left and right. Riveted to middle rails, left		
1	Tie rod sleeve with bolt and washers.	a d right.  Bolted to middle rails, left and right.		
2	End reinforces	Riveted to middle rails, left and right.		
1	Lunette bracket	Riveted to rear end of middle		
1	Lunette Lunette nut with lock washer Caisson prop, complete, consist- ing of—	Bolted to lunette bracket On end of lunette On front end of side rails		
$1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 1$	Prop eye, right. Prop eye, left. Prop tubes. Prop foot. Fastening pin. Prop-chain clamps. Prop chains Prop hook. Prop-chain button with	Riveted to right tube. Riveted to left tube. Supports pole. Riveted to lover ends of tubes. Through prop eves. On prov tubes. Secured to prop. On chain. Riveted to middle rail top	) IV	
5 1 1 1 1 1	guide. Pron-chain guides. Frame handle, left. Frame handle, right. Name plate. Shovel-blade bracket.	plate. Riveted to middle rail, sides. Riveted to middle rail, left Riveted to middle rail, right Riveted to middle rail, roo Riveted to middle rail, sides, below.		
1	Tie rod, right	Bolted to middle rail and axle bracket, right. Bolted to middle rail and axle		
2 1 1	Tie-rod bolts  Fuze-setter bracket lug, inner  Pintle with bearing, complete, consisting of—	bracket, left. Bolt tie rods to axle bracket Riveted to middle rail, right		
1 1 1	Pintle Pintle latch Pintle-latch pin, with split pin.	Seated in pintle bearing. On pintle. Forms pivot of latch		
1 1 1 2	Pintle-latch spring Pintle bearing	On pintle		
1		In pintle bearing/		

No.	Name of part.	Location, etc.	class	oerty ifica- on.
		,	Class.	Sec- tion
1	Spring plunger Apron hinge lug, center Side rails, complete, consisting	In pintleRiveted to middle rail		
1	Side rail, left	Riveted to chest-rest on springs.		
1 4	Side rail, right Side rail liners, loft	Riveted to inside side rails		
4	Side rail liners, right	do		
4	Spring bolts with nuts and	Belted to side rails and		
4	pins. Carrying springs	through axle bracket. Assembled around spring bolts		
16	Belleville springs	abore axle. Assembled around spring bolts		-
	Ammunition chest complete	below axle.		
	Ammunition chest, complete, consisting of—			
2	Intermediate bottom plates	Riveted to middle and side		-
2	Outer bottom plates	rails. Riseted to side rails		
1	Chest angle	Framing for back of chest		
1	Chest back.	Pack of chest		
1	Top plate	Forms top and sides of chest		
1	Door Door	Forms top and sides of chest. Framing for chest door. Hinged to top.		
î	Front diaphragm	Riveted inside chest		
1	Middle disphragm	do	4.	
2	Diaphragm reinforces	do		
1	Kear diaphragm	do	H	
9	Front transome right	do	IV	
2	Front transoms left	dodo	114	
2 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	Middle transoms, right	d0		
2	Middle transoms, left	dodo		
$\frac{2}{2}$	Rear transoms, right	dodo		
70	Rear transoms, left	Era ed on front and middle		
10	pieces.	diaphragms.		
140	Reinforce pieces	Braced on corner piece		
4	Hinge reinforce	Ri eted on top of chest		
4	Door hinge, male	Riveted to chest door		
4	Door hinge, female	Riveted to chest top		
7	Door tees.	Riveted on door		
1	Door-hangle bar	do		
$\frac{2}{4}$	Door-hangle bases	do		
2	Lock bars	In lock-bar hinges		
4	Lock-bar hinges Lock-bar stops	Riveted on door		
2	Wing nuts	On wing-nut pins		
2	Wing-nut pins	Riveted to door		
2 2 2 2	Wing-nut pin reinforced	Riveted to chest door	.11	
2	Wing-nut pin washers. Chains with bolt snaps, rings, and rivets.	On pin Riveted to door		
1	Doer prop	Bolted to door-prop stud and		
		sliding mat.		
1	Door-prop stud	Riveted to door	1	
1	Door-prop guide	Bolted to side of chest		
1	washer.	Fits in guide riveted to prop	l)	1

No.	Name of part.	Location, etc.	class	erty ifica- on.
- 1			Class.	Sec- tion.
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Wrench holder do do do do Pick-mattock head bracket Pick-mattock handle support Pick-mattock point guard Pick-mattock guard Ax guard Ax squard Ax-handle support Ax-handle support Strap fasteners do Padlock Handrail shanks with rivets and washers. Handrails Foot-rest reinforce, 1 left, 1 right. Foot-rest corner brace. Foot-rest brace, left.	dododoRiveted to chest doordododododododo		
1 1 2 2 4	Receptacle body.  Receptacle top body.  Receptacle adjusters, large.  Receptacle adjusters, small.  Receptacle adjuster screws with wing nuts.	Riveted to chest by brackets. Riveted to top of body and chest. Attached to body, inside		
1 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1	Receptacle reinforcement, left. Receptacle reinforcement, right Receptacle intermediate bracket. Receptacle center bracket. Receptacle end bracket, right Receptacle end bracket, right Receptacle end bracket, left. Apron, complete, consisting of— Apron hinges. Apron-hinge lug center. Apron-hinge lug ends Apron-latch base, left Apron-latch base, right	do. do. do. do. do. Hinged to. Pinned to hinges. (See middle rail). Bolt on spring rod. Riveted to foot rest.	) IV	. (1)
4 2 4	Apron-latch base reinforces. Apron-latch staples. Latch bodies  Latch handles.	Welded to latch base.  Riveted to apron.  Pinned to latch bases (for apron and fuse-setter latches).  In latch bodies (for apron and		
4 4 2 8 1	Latch plungers  Brakes, complete, consisting of— Brake drums.  Lock washers.  Brake hanger, left.  Brake hanger, right	dodododododododo.		
2 4 4	Brake hanger, right. Brake hanger bolts. Handy oilers. Band clips. Band guides.	dodoFor brake hangersRiveted to hangersRiveted to band clips		The second second

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No.	Name of part.	Location, etc.	Class.	Sec-
.45	Brakes, complete, consisting of—			
	Continued.	0 1		
2	Brake-band bodies Brake-band linings	Over drum		
		bodies.	11	
4	Brake-band ends	Riveted to brake-band bodies Pinned to brake-band ends	1	
2	Adjusting nuts with pins Adjusting links with pins	Pinned to brake lever-shaft:		
-	Adjusting links with pins	screwed into adjusting nut.		
2	Cranks, outer	Keyed to brake shaft		
2	Brake rods with pins	Screwed into brake-rod ends.	-11	
	resident from a confidence of	Pinned to brake-rod and	H	1.
4	Brake-rod ends	crank, outer. Pinned to brake-rod and		
		brake crank.	11	
2	Brake shafts	Rear in hangers	.	1
ĩ	Brake lever-shaft bearing	Riveted to chest and foot rest.		
1	Bushing	For above bearing	- 11	
1	Brake lever shaft	Bears in above bearing and	1	
	Dealer search	crank shaft. Pinned to brake rod; keyed to		
1	Brake crank	crank shaft.	11	
1	Brake-crank shaft bearing,	Riveted to chest		
-4	right.			
1	Brake-crank shaft bearing, left.	do		
1	Brake-crank shaft	Bears in shaft bearing	-	1
1	Brake lever	Keyed to lever shaft		
1	Brake-lever latch	Riveted to lever	-	
1	Segment rack	Riveted to enest and loot rest.	11	
1	Separator	Spaces segment rack from chest.	IV	
	Fuse-setter bracket, consisting			1.00
2	of— Fuse-setter anchor-rod bear-	Riveted to bracket arms		
	ings.			
1.	Fuse-setter latch base, right	Riveted to ammunition chest	-	
1 3	Fuse-setter latch base, left Fuse-setter latch-base stif-	do	-	
. 0	feners.			
1			-	
1	Fuse-setter anchor rod	In anchor-rod bearings	-	
2	Fuse-setter bracket latch	Bolted to bracket arms		1
1		Riveted to side rail		
'i	outer. Fuse-setter bracket lug,	Riveted to middle rail	-	
dig	inner.		-	
1		Riveted to bracket arm	-	
1		Riveted between bracket arms		
1		Pinned to middle rail by lugs	3.	
oi	Fuse-setter bracket arm, right	Pinned to side rail by lugs	-11	1 .
. 1	Fuse-setter bracket separator	. Riveted between bracket arm	8.	
1	Fuse-setter anchor	Bears on anchor rod		
. 1		Riveted to bracket arms Riveted to anchor-rod bracket	:-	
, 1	Fuse-setter filler	. Riveted to anchor-rod bracket		1.
1	Fuse-setter bracket stop	. Envered to anchor bracket		100

DESCRIPTION OF THE 75 MM. GUN CAISSON, MODEL OF 1918. (PLATES XXIV and XXV)

The caisson is made of metal throughout, with the exception of the felloes and spokes of the wheels. The principal parts of the caisson are the wheels, axle, frame, brakes, and ammunition chest.

The wheels and wheel fastenings are interchangeable with those of the other vehicles in the battery except carriage and limber.

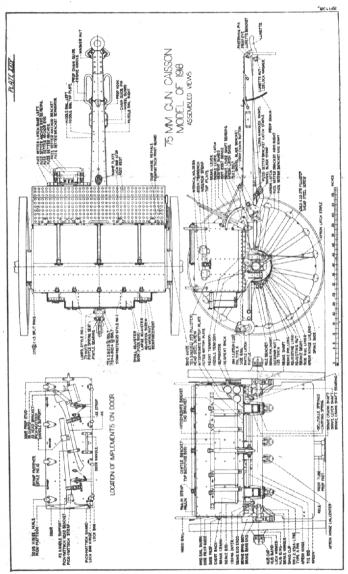
The axle is of hollow steel, made in one piece.

The wheels are a modified form of the Archibald pattern, 56 inches in diameter, with 3-inch tires. The hub consists of a forged-steel hub box and hub ring assembled with eight carriage bolts through the flanges and with a bronze hub cap screwed on the outer end of the hub box. The hub band is screwed on the hub box. A lock washer is placed between the hub ring and the hub hand, preventing the latter from unscrewing. The bronze hub cap is screwed on the hub box and is locked with the hub-latch plunger, which is withdrawn and held in the disengaged position by the hub latch when the hub cap is to be unscrewed. Assembled to the hub cap and projecting into the axle arm is an oil valve, through which the wheel is oiled without removal. The hub box is fitted with a bronze liner, forced into place. The liners are removable. The tire is shrunk on and secured to the felloe by eight tire bolts.

The wheel fastening consists of a bronze yoke fitting in the outer end of the axle arm and is accessible when the hub cap is removed.

The frame consists principally of two side rails and a middle rail, braced by two tie-rods and also by the ammunition chest, to which they are riveted and of which they form a part of the bottom. The tie-rods are bolted to the middle rail and to the side rails near the axle. The middle rail is made of two pressed steel channels connected by a top cover plate, with the flanges overlapping in the rear to form a pintle seat, the front ends being riveted to a lunette bracket. In the latter a lunette is assembled by a lunette nut.

The side rails are of cast steel, the length of the chest. Each has two pairs of vertical guides that straddle the axle, fitted with bronze liners in which the axle bracket slides. Above and between these liners the side rail is bored out and tapped for the spring rod and counterbored for the caisson carrying spring. Clamped to the axle at each side rail is an axle bracket, upon which are formed two lugs bored out for the spring rod and counterbored for the caisson carrying spring. These lugs slide up and down between the side rail liners and hold the chest from lateral and longitudinal motion with respect to the axle. The four caisson carrying springs, assembled



upon spring rods, are compressed between these lugs and the side rail, thus supporting the chest on the axle and allowing it 0.75 inch of movement. The upper end of each spring rod is screwed into the threaded portion of the side rail; the lower end extends below the axle bracket lugs, where there are assembled upon it four Belleville springs, held in place by a nut on the lower end of the rod. When the caisson is traveling over rough road the rebound of the chest from the caisson carrying springs is met by the action of the Belleville springs, which are compressed between the spring rod nuts and the axle bracket lugs.

The nuts on the two front spring rods serve as apron hinge lugs. To these two lugs are pinned the end apron hinges. An apron hinge lug, center, made of flange steel and riveted to the middle rail, supports the remaining two of the four hinges by which the apron is hung.

The apron is made of armor plate and extends to within 4.5 inches of the ground when lowered.

For traveling the apron is drawn up to the front and held by two apron latches.

Each apron latch consists principally of a latch body, handle, plunger, and spring. The apron latch body is pinned to an apron latch base riveted to the side of the foot rest; the lower end of the latch body terminates in a hook, which engages an apron latch staple riveted to the apron and holds the latter in traveling position. To retain the staple in the hook, the opening of the hook is closed by a plunger seated in the latch body and pressed outward into action by a coiled spring. By pressing the apron latch handle down with the hand, the plunger is first withdrawn from the hook, and then the hook is pushed backward, disengaging it from the apron latch staple.

The pintle bearing is of bronze, bored out to take the pintle shank, and is held in place by two bolts through the middle rail. The pintle has a swiveling motion of 360° upon its shank, but is kept in its normal position by the pintle spring in the pintle bearing, which presses a spring plunger against a flattened seat on the shank. The lunette of the drawn vehicle is retained upon the pintle hook by a pintle latch, which is pivoted by a pin upon the end of the pintle horn and is held in either the open or the closed position by the pintle-latch spring. The latch is opened by the entering lunette, but must be closed by hand. The spring is peened in its seat, but may readily be driven out and a new one inserted, if desired.

Near the front end of the middle rail and riveted thereto are two frame handles and two wheel guards. Between the wheel guards,

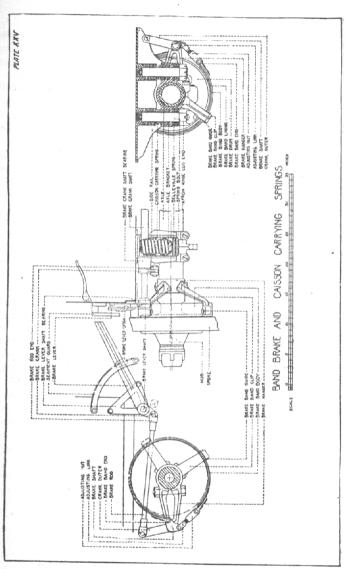
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inside the middle rail, which it braces, is a stiffener called a middle-rail transom. A caisson prop, formed of two steel tubes united by a bronze foot, is hinged on a prop pin which passes through the middle rail and lunette bracket. When not in use, the prop is swung up against the middle rail and is held in that position by chains leading from the prop legs through guides on the middle rail, and uniting in a hook, which is engaged over a button riveted to the middle-rail top cover plate.

The standard form of drum brake is used as illustrated on Plate XXV. There are two brake drums, one on each wheel and one hand lever on the right-hand side of the caisson seat, which is operated from the seat. Cast-iron brake drums are bolted to the wheels and revolve with them. Brake bands lined with Raybestos are assembled around the drums and held in place by lugs riveted to drums. Lateral movement of the lugs is prevented by brake-band clips consisting of brackets riveted to brake hangers which fit over the lugs on bands. Brake hangers are bolted fast over axles. Brake bands are provided with forked ends, the lower end having adjusting nut pinned to it, and the upper end being pinned to a lever arm on brake lever. The adjusting nut has an adjusting link threaded into it, and the link is pinned to the other arm of the brake lever.

Brake shaft is a short shaft with two short arms at the outside end and the inside end squared to take the outer crank, which is attached to the inner end of this shaft and pinned to brake rod. The brake rod has an adjusting nut at each end and is pinned to the brake crank. Brake crank on the right side is integral with brake crank shaft and on the left side is keved to the brake crank shaft. The brake crank shaft is held in bearings at the front of the seat and consists of a hollow rod with a squared hole in the center into which the brake shaft fits. The brake lever is keved to the end of the brake-lever shaft and provided with a catch which engages with segment bracket pinned to chest. When the brake lever is pulled back the brake lever shaft turns in a counter clockwise direction, and being fixed to brake crank shaft causes crank shaft to turn with it. is transmitted through the brake crank, brake rod, outer crank, and brake shaft to the upper brake band end and the adjusting link, and through the latter by means of adjusting nut to the lower brake band end, tightening the brake band about the drum.

The caisson ammunition chest is a rectangular steel box built up of flange steel, with provision for 70 rounds of ammunition arranged in 5 horizontal rows of 14 rounds each. The top and sides of the chest are one piece of flange steel, and the bottom is made up of four pieces, called outer bottom plates and intermediate bottom



plates. The back of the chest is made of armor plate 0.15 inch thick. A steel angle is riveted to the armor plate all around its edge, and the projecting leg of the angle is riveted to the body of the chest.

Inside the chest the cartridges are supported by three vertical diaphragms, flanged all around and riveted to the body of the chest. Corresponding holes in the front and middle diaphragms are connected by cylindrical brass pieces. The diaphragms are rigidly braced to each other and to the caisson frame by 12 transoms riveted to the diaphragms, the middle and side rails, and also to the chest back, which they serve to stiffen. Riveted to the bottom of the rear and middle diaphragms and to the top of the side rails are four diaphragm reinforces made of flange steel angle, which help to transmit the load from the diaphragms to the side rails.

The chest door is made of armor plate 0.15 inch thick. It is hinged to the body of the chest at the top by four hinges, at each of which, inside the chest, is a hinge reinforce riveted to the chest top and middle and front diaphragms. The door is held closed by two lock bars hinged to the bottom of the door. A hasp and two eccentric lugs are formed upon each of these bars; in locking the door these lugs bear against an equal number of lock-bar stops riveted to the foot rest, thus pressing the door shut, while the hasp engages a wing nut higher up on the door. The right lock bar may be locked in position either by a spring padlock or a bolt snap, both of which are fastened by a chain to the door near the wing nut and engage in the eye of the latter; the left lock bar has only the bolt snap so attached.

Seven steel tees are riveted to the inner face of the door. These tees are spaced so that with the door closed the vertical leg of a T falls between each alternate row of cartridges, and the horizontal legs press against the heads of the cartridges. The rims of the cartridge cases are thus firmly held between the front diaphragm and the door tees, which, in addition to forming stiffeners for the door, provide clearances between the doorplate and the cartridge percussion cap, for the protection of the latter. The lower edge of the door is also stiffened by a steel angle running its entire length.

The door opens upward and forward, swinging through an arc of 120° to its open position, where it is held by a door prop on the left side of the chest. One end of the prop is secured with a nut on a door-prop stud riveted to the door; the other end runs in a door-prop guide riveted to the side of the chest. As the door is thrown open, the props catch in notches in the guides and hold it in the open position; to close the door the props must be released by hand

from the guide notches. A door handle is riveted in the middle of the door at its lower edge.

The top of the chest forms a seat for cannoneers and has a handrail at each side. To one set of strap fasteners riveted to the door are attached three grip straps for the use of the cannoneers; and to another set riveted to the top of the chest are attached three paulin straps for securing the paulin, which serves as a seat cushion. In front of the chest is provided a foot rest, a perforated sheet-metal plate the width of the chest, formed to shape and riveted on; it is supported by the middle rail and by a foot-rest brace at each side riveted to the sides of the chest, The rear corners are strengthened, on the right side by the brake lever shaft bearing, and on the left side by a foot-rest corner brace, which is riveted to the side of the foot rest and to the chest.

The fuze-setter bracket consists of two angle irons united in the front to a bronze fuze-setter bracket separator, forming a seat, to which the fuze setter is bolted. In the rear the angles are hinged to brackets—one outer, which is riveted to the side rail, and one inner, which is riveted to the middle rail. A fuze-setter latch, pinned to a fuze-setter latch base, which latter is riveted to the front of the foot rest, engages a pin in the bronze separator mentioned above, and thus holds the bracket with fuze setter in traveling position. For use the fuze setter with bracket is released from the latch and swung down and supported by a jointed rod extending from the separator to the fuze-setter latch base. This jointed rod consists of an upper and a lower rod pinned together, and also pinned at both ends, the flexibility of the connection allowing the rod to fold up when the bracket is swung up for traveling.

The fuze-setter latch is the same as, and the parts are interchangeable with, the apron latch described above, with the exception of the handle, which, on the fuze-setter latch, is designed as a finger hold to be lifted in releasing. This arrangement obviates the possibility of dropping down the fuze setter by accident.

A long-handled shovel is carried under the middle rail, the end of the handle resting in the lunette bracket, while the blade rests in a bracket riveted to the sides of the middle rail under the foot rest. The shovel is secured in position by a leather strap. On the back of the chest are carried an ax, resting in an ax-head bracket and an ax-handle support; a pick mattock, resting in a pick-mattock head bracket and an ax-handle support, the handle being prevented from coming out of the head by a pick-mattock handle stop, riveted to the side of the chest; and a spanner and a wrench, each

carried in two wrench holders. These brackets are all riveted to the chest back, and all the implements are secured by leather straps.

A name plate is attached to each caisson on the middle-rail top cover plate just in front of the foot rest, which gives the number, name of caisson, model, name of manufacturer, year of completion, and initials of inspector.

In all reports and correspondence the caisson should be designated by the number, name, model, etc., given on this name plate. In requests for spare parts for repairs, etc., the parts should be asked for by the names given on the plates or in the paragraph giving nomenclature of parts in this handbook.

## FORGE LIMBER, MODEL OF 1902-M1.

#### WEIGHTS, DIMENSIONS, ETC.

#### (PLATE XXVI.)

Weight, empty, without equipmentpound Weight, complete, equipped and loadeddo Weight of forge limber and battery wagon, both complete, equipped a	1,577
loadedpound	s 4,324 •
Diameter of wheelsinches	56
Width of track	
Free height under limberdo.	26. 5
Turning angle with battery wagondegrees	

### Nomenclature of parts.

No.	Name of part. Location, etc.		Prop clas cati	sifi-
2,01		Class.	Sec- tion.	
2	Wheels and wheel fastenings	Same as on caisson	)	
1	Axle	Riveted to axle		
1	Pole clamp	Riveted to middle rail		
i	Pole-prop bracket	Riveted to pole clamp and middle rail with limber prop in place		
1	Pole clamp bolt	In pole clamp		
1 1 1	Pole clamp nut	<del>.</del> <del> </del>	11	
	Pole pin with bushing	Secures pole in seat	\VI	. 3
1	Pole-pin reinforce			
1	Pole stop	rail.  Riveted between upper and lower half of middle rail.		
2	Separating pieces			
1	Doubletree strap			
1	Doubletree bolt	In bolt clamp and doubletree strap.		
1	Doubletree nut			

No.	Name of part. Location, etc.		Property classifi- cation.	
			Class.	Sec- tion.
11444111111111111111111111111111111111	Name plate Limber prop, consisting of As  Lamber-prop foot Pi Limber-prop eye Pi Chain See Prop tube Hi Prop-chain fastening hi Prop-chain handle Ri Prop-chain handle En Prop carrier, right Li Prop carrier, left. Tie-rod, rear, left. Tie-rod, rear, left. Tie-rod clamp, left. Tie-rod clamp, left. Tie-rod pins Fa Doubletree-rod pins Sec	veted to side raildododododododo	VI	3
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Pintle laten On	do	) IV	}.

No.	Name of part.	Location, etc.	Property classifi- cation.	
	Transition parties		Class.	Sec-
1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Nipple nut. Pole, complete, consisting of— Pole body. Pole plug. Neck-yoke counter stop spring. Neck-yoke counter stop- spring pin. Neck-yoke counter stop- Neck-yoke stop. Neck-yoke stop. Neck-yoke stop. Butt reinforce. Shovel-handle bracket. Shovel-blade bracket. Forge limber chest, complete,	Riveted together.  Riveted in body Bears on neck-yoke counter stop. Riveted in body Hinges oncounter-stop pin. Liveted to body. Eiveted to upper side of body Inside of body Riveted to inside of body. Riveted to foot rest and middle rail.	} IV	
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 2	Bottom. Lid. Lid stiffener Chest-rail filler pieces.  Outer left-hand partition. Inner left-hand partition. Inner right-hand partition. Longitudinal partition, ieft. Logitudinal partition, ieft. Left rear corner augle. Right front corner angle. Bottom stiffening angles. Corner tie pieces.	Part of body do do do Hinged to body On lid Riveted to body and chest rail Part of body do Ado do Ado A	IV	

No.	Name of part.	Location, etc.	Property classifi-cation.		
			Class.	Sec-	
	Forge limber chest, complete, consisting of—Continued.				
2	consisting of—Continued. Shot-bolt stops	Directed A. A. A.			
ĩ	Shot-bolt bracket right	Riveted to bodydo			
1	Shot-bolt bracket, left	do			
2	Shot-bolt filler pieces	do			
1	Hasp	do			
1	Hasp hinge	Riveted to lid	11		
1	Hasp-hinge pin	In hinge			
1	Padrock-chain rivet	Riveted to body			
1	Chest rail, right	do	1		
4	Chest-rail connection	do			
î	Shot bolt, right.	Riveted to chest In brackets on chest body			
1	Shot bolt, left.	do	11		
1	Shot-bolt hasp, right	Riveted to lid.			
1	Shot-bolt hasp, left	do			
1	Wing-nut pin	Riveted to chest body			
1	Wing nut	Riveted on pin			
1	Wing-nut pin washer	On pin			
1	Wing-nut pin washer, large Padlock, with chain and bolt				
	snap.	Eye rivet on chest body			
4	Lid hinges	Riveted to lid and body			
-4	Lid-hinge pins	and body			
4.	Handrail brackets	Riveted to body of chest	[]		
1	Handrail tubes	Connect handrail brackets			
1	Bucket holder		1		
1	Lantern-bracket body Lantern-bracket bottom		777		
2	Lantern-strap fastening		JIV	9	
1	Lid-prop bracket	Riveted to lid.			
1	Lid-prop guide, left	Riveted to chest partition			
1	Lid prop	Riveted on lid-prop bracket			
1	Lid-prop rivet	Rivets lid prop to bracket			
1	Lid-prop sliding rivet	Riveted to lid prop			
1	Hatchet-blade bracket Hatchet-handle fastening				
î	Ratchet-drillfastening, No. 1.	Diveted to outer might hand			
	The conce difficulties, 140. 1.	Riveted to outer right-hand partition.			
1	Ratchet-drillfastening, No. 2.	Riveted to inside of chest back			
1	Forge-legs fastening, No. 1	Riveted to inner right-hand			
1		partition.			
1	Forge-legs fastening, No. 2	do			
	Screw-wrenchfastening, No. 1	Riveted to outer right-hand			
1	Screw-wrench fastening, No. 2	partition.			
1	Chisel (cold iron) fastening	Riveted to inside of right end			
1	Chisel (hot iron) fastening	do			
1	Flatter fastening	do			
1	Hand-hammer fastening	Riveted to outer right-hand			
.0	The second second	partition.			
2	Fore punch and creaser	Riveted to inside of left end			
1	fastenings.	Directed to James of the trans			
1	Shoeing-rasp fastening, No. 1.	Riveted to inner right-hand partition.			
1	Shoeing-rasp fastening, No. 2.	do	)		

	Name of Book	Location, etc.	Property classification.		
No.	Name of part.	incation, etc.	Class.	Sec-	
11611	The New Area cheef complete				
1.01	Forge limber chest, complete, consisting of—Continued.				
1	Flat bastard file fastening	Riveted to inner left-hand	1		
. 1	Flat bastard me tastemus	partition.			
1	Taps and dies fastening, No. 1	Riveted to inside of back of			
1	Taps and dies tasteming, 1.5.	chest near left end.	1		
1	Taps and dies fastening, No. 2	Riveted to inside of front of			
		chest near left end.			
1	Square fastening, No. 1	Riveted to underside of lid			
		near center, front.			
. 1	Square fastening, No. 2	Riveted to underside of lid			
		near center, rear.			
1	Square fastening, No. 3	Riveted to underside of lid			
	The state of the s	near right end, rear. Riveted in chest			
1	Pincer and nipper handle	Riveted in chest	1		
	fastening.	do			
1	Pincer and nipper jaw fasten-				
1	ning. Riveting hammer fastening	Riveted to outer right-hand			
. 1	Rivering nammer rasconing.	partition.			
- 1	Rivet-set packing strap	In chest			
í	Shoeing-hammer fastening	Riveted to outer right-hand	IV	1 1	
	Director & Advantage	partition.			
1	Clinching-iron fastening	do	-		
1	Hardie fastening	Riveted to inside of right end.	- 1		
1	Oiler fastening	Screwed to anvil block	-		
3	Portable forge fastening	Riveted to underside of fid	-		
1	Forge gear wheel fastening,	Riveted to inner left-hand	- 11		
	No. 1.	partition.	. 11		
- 1	Forge gear wheel fastening,	Riveted to lid-prop bracket	1		
	No. 2.	and lid.			
2	Anvil fastenings	Riveted to lid	.   -		
1	Sledge-handle bracket				
1	Ax-head bracket	do			
2	Widdle oil can supports	do			
2 2	Rear oil-can supports	do			
2	Oil-can support covers	Hinged to rear oil-can support	s		
2		Fastened to oil-can support	t		
4	Daoit Cot u	cover			
2	Oil-can support latches		/	1	

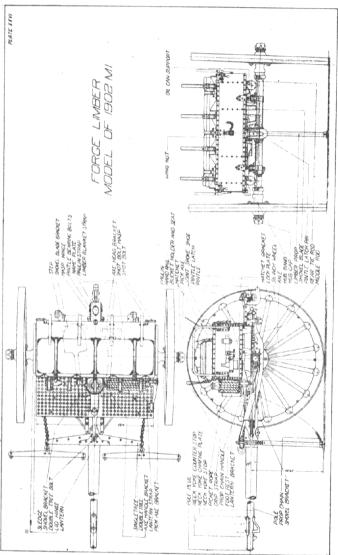
## DESCRIPTION OF FORGE LIMBER, MODEL OF 1902-MI.

#### PLATE XXVI.

The forge limber model of 1902–M1 differs from the 75-mm. caisson limber model of 1918 only in the construction of the chest and foot rest, which are fitted to carry the tools and supplies pertaining to a farrier's shop, with the addition of some machinists' tools. The limber frame in all its parts is the same as the caisson limber, and the chest is attached to the frame in a similar manner.

The forge-limber chest is a rectangular flange-steel box with chest lid on top. The lid is flanged all around, fitting over the body of the chest to make it water-tight. It is secured in front to the body of the chest by four hinges, and in rear it is held in its closed position by a shot bolt at each corner and by a hasp and wing nut in the middle. The shot bolts are seated in brackets riveted to the chest. while the shot-bolt eyes are riveted to the lid; the hasp is hinged to a hasp-hinge plate riveted to the lid, and the wing nut is attached to the wing-nut pin, riveted to the body of the chest. A spring padlock, fastened by chain and staple to the chest, may be passed through the eve of the wing nut to lock the chest lid when closed. Outside on top is a raised seat, fastened to the chest lid, with spaces underneath for carrying three watering buckets. The seat has a handrail at each end riveted to the chest body. Various strap fasteners for paulin straps, grip straps, picket-rope straps, etc., and brackets for carrying all the implements carried on other limbers are provided. Arrangements are also provided for carrying on each forge-limber chest one sledge and two oil cans. The sledge rests in a sledge holder riveted on the right end of the foot rest, with the handle projecting to the rear through a sledge-handle bracket riveted to the bottom of the chest. The oil cans are carried one under each end of the chest. For this purpose, for each can three flange-steel brackets, called the front, middle, and rear oil-can supports, are riveted to the bottom of the chest. The can is placed in the supports from the rear and is retained in place by a bronze cover on the rear bracket. This cover is hinged at the bottom and held in close position by a spring latch. If desired, the latch may be more firmly secured in locking position by a split pin.

The inside of the chest is divided (into five compartments) by four vertical partitions reaching from front to rear. The end compartments are comparatively narrow and are fitted with fastenings for carrying smith's and machinist's tools, each so that it can be taken out without removing any other. The compartments next to the tool compartments are wider and are subdivided by lateral partitions forming two compartments for horseshoes and two for horseshoe nails, with a total capacity for 300 pounds of horseshoes and 50 pounds of nails. The horseshoes are carried loose in the compartment, which is wood lined; the horseshoe nails may also be carried loose, though the nail compartments are made of the proper size to take the 25-pound box of nails as issued. (All of the partitions in the chest are made of flange steel, flanged on three sides and riveted through the flanges to the chest.) The middle compartment is fitted to take the field forge in front, the anvil in rear, and several small



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tools in brackets on the walls. The anvil is bedded in a wooden seat on the bottom of the chest, and with the forge is held in place by cleats on the chest lid. The latter is held in its open position by a lid prop, which is hinged to a lid-prop bracket riveted to the underside of the lid and having at its other end a button running in a lid-prop guide riveted to one of the chest partitions.

## STORE LIMBER, MODEL OF 1902-MI. WEIGHTS, DIMENSIONS, ETC.

Weight of store limber, emptypounds	955	
Weight of store limber, completely equipped and loadeddo	1,106	
Weight of store limber and store wagon, both completely equipped and		
Weight of store imper and store wagon, both completely equipped and	4 000	
loadedpounds	4,008	
Diameter of wheelsinches	56	
Width of trackdo		
Free height under limberdo		5
Turning angle with store wagondegrees		
I tilling angle with store wag		

The store limber, model of 1902, M1 is substantially the same as the forge limber, model of 1902, M1 except that the chest is fitted with compartments for carrying the following battery firecontrol equipment:

10 battery commanders' rulers, wooden.

1 battery commander's telescope and mount, in case.

1 battery commander's telescope tripod, in case.

5 flash lights, with hoods.

16 flash lights, without hoods.

1 steel tape, 100 feet.

2 time interval recorders, with chains.

Fire-control equipment furnished by the Signal Corps.

The compartments for telephones, field glasses, battery commander's telescope, and battery case are padded to protect the contents from injury.

## BATTERY AND STORE WAGONS, MODEL OF 1917. WEIGHTS, DIMENSIONS, ETC.

Weight of battery wagon, emptypounds	
Weight of battery wagon, completely equipped and loadeddo	
Weight of forge limber and battery wagon, both completely equipped and	
loadedpounds	
Weight of store wagon, emptydo	
Weight of store wagon, completely equipped and loadeddo	
Weight of store limber and store wagon, both completely equipped and	
loadedpounds	
Diameter of wheelinches	56
Width of track do	60
Free height under wagonsdo	24.5
Turning angle with limbersdegrees	75
Weight (approximate) at lunette of both wagons, loadedpounds	

## Nomenclature of parts.

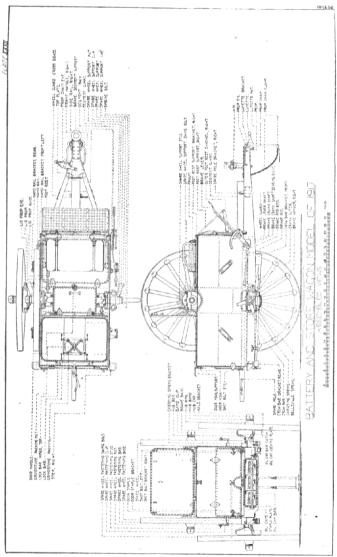
Num- ber on store	Number on bat-	Name of part.	Location, etc.	class	perty lfica- on.
wagon.	tery wagon			Class.	Sec-
2	2	Wheels, with wheel fas- tenings, complete.	Same as on caisson	)	
1 2 1	1 2 1	Axle	Riveted on axle.		
1 1 1	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array}$	Side rail, right	do		
1	1 1	Rear intermediate cross channel. Front intermediate	Riveted between side rails do		
1	1	cross channel. Front cross channel, long.	do		
1	1	Front cross channel,	do		
1	1	Wheel-guard cross brace. Top plate	do	-	
1	1	Lunette bracket	Riveted between side rails, front. Riveted to side rails at		
1	1	Lunette	front. Bolted into lunette bracket		
	1	Lunette nut	On end of lunette	***	
1	2	Frame handfes (1 right, 1 left).	Riveted to side rails at front.	IV	3
1	1	Prop complete, consisting of— Prop chain	Bolted through lunette bracket.		
2 2 1	2 2 1	Prop-chain clamps	Riveted to clamps Clamped to prop tubes Riveted to top plate		
1	1	Prop eye, right	Riveted to prop tube, top.  Riveted to prop tube, bot-		
2	2	Prop tubes	tom. Main body of prop. Pins prop to frame.		
1 2	1 2	Fastening pin with nut and split pin. Chain hook Spare-pole brackets	Riveted to side rail left		
$\frac{2}{1}$ .	i	Crowbar brackets	Riveted to wheel guard and brace. Riveted to side rail, right		
1	1	Pin with split pin. Chain with rivet, ring and split pin (2.52-inch).	In spare-pole brackets For pin-pole brackets		
2 2	2 2	Wheel guards Brake crank shaft bear-	Riveted to side railsdo		
2	2	ings (1 right, 1 left).	Riveted to side rails and chest.		

Num- ber on	Num- ber on bat-	Name of part.	Location, etc.	class	perty sifica- on.
store wagon	tory	•		Class.	Sec- tion.
4	4	Liner brackets (2 right, 2	Riveted to side rails and	\	
4	4	left). Liner-bracket braces	carrying-spring brackets. Riveted to side rails and		
4 1	4	Liners (2 right, 2 left) Oil-can carrier, consisting of—	liner brackets. Riveted to liner brackets Rear end of frame		
1	1	Oil-canbar	Fastened to oil-can bar		
1	1	Oil-can bar bracket with staples.	bracket. Riveted to rear cross chan- nel.		
$\frac{1}{2}$	1 2	Oil-can bar catch Oil-can carrier angles	Riveted to side and bot-	The second second	and the same of th
1	1	(1 right, 1 left). Oil-can carrier bottom	tom plates. Riveted to carrier angles	77	
1	1	plate. Oil-can carrier stop	Riveted to side plates and	19 1	
2	2	Oil-can carrier side plates (1 right, 1 left).	Rivet d to carrier angles and cover channels.		
3		Oil-can carrier tees Oil-can locking plates.	Rivered to bottom plate	19	10 .
, 3		Oil-can strips, inter- mediate.	Riveted to bottom plate.		
1 6	1 6	Oil-can strip, rear Oil-can strips, side	do		1
1		Oil-can strips, at car-	Riveted to carriage stop	IV	3.
2	2	riage stop. Stop braces	Riveted to carrier tees and stop.	1	in in the same
1		Padlock	Chained to cross channel. Riveted to cross channel.		
2		Steps (1 right, 1 left) Rear cross channel rein-	Riveted to side rails. Riveted to rear cross chan-		
1	1	force. Chest complete, consisting of—	nel.		
1		Chest front end	Riveted at end of chest	-	
1		Chest rear end	Riveted in chest		
1	1	Chest rear cross par- tition.	do		
1		Chest side, right	Riveted at side of chest		
Î 1	1	Chest top. Small door-staple	Top of chest	. 1	
1	1	bracket. Small door hasp	top. Riveted to top side of	1	
1		Small top door plate Small top door reinforce.	small doorplate. Top of chest. Riveted to chest top around door.		

Num- ber on	Num- ber on bat-	Name of part.	Location, etc.	Property classifica-	
store wagon	tery wagon.	tery	•	Class.	Section
		Chest complete, consist-			
	1	ing of—Continued. False floor (front lower right compartment).	Bottom of chest	)	
	1	Packing stud— Packing strip No. 1	Front lower right com-		
	1	Packing strip No. 2	partment. Front lower left compart-		
	1	do	ment. Rear lower left compart-		
	1	do	ment. Rear lower right compart- ment.		
	1	Packing strip No. 3	Front lower right compart-		
2	2	Packing strip No. 4 Packing strip No. 5	Left rear transom only		
1	1	Packing strip No. 5 Rear bottom plate, right.	Bottom of chest		
1	1	Rear bottom plate, left.	Bottom of chest		
1	1	Rear chest compart- ment top plate.	Top of chest, rear		
$\frac{2}{2}$	$\frac{2}{2}$	Rear door hook	Pinned to hook support		
2	2	Rear door hook spring. Rear door hook support (1 right, 1 left).	On rear door spring Riveted to top back plate		
1	1	Rear doorplate Rear pole compart-	Rear lower compartment Over pole opening		
1	1	ment top plate. Rear top doorframe	Riveted to rear top of chest.	IV	
$\frac{1}{2}$	1 2	Rear top doorplate Front and rear door-	Hinged on rear top of chest Front and rear bottom of		
1	1	frame. Front doorplate	chest. Front side of chest		
1	1	Rear doorplate Foot rest	Rear side of chest		
2	2	Foot-rest clips	Riveted to chest and foot rest.		
1	1	Foot-rest support bracket, right.	Support at right side		
1	1	Foot-rest support bracket, left.	Support at left side		
1	1	Foot-rest support,	Riveted on right edge		
1	1	Front chest compart-	Riveted on left edge Front top of chest		
1	1	ment top plate. Front bottom plate, right.	Bottom right side		
1	1	Front bottom plate, left.	Bottom left side		
1	1	Front door reinforce	Front side of chest		
1	1	Rear door reinforce	Rear side of chest		
1	1	Transom front, right	Inside chestdo.		
î	1	Transom, rear, right	do		

Num- ber on	Num- ber on bat-	Name of part.	Location, etc.	Prop class tic	ifica-
store wagon.	tery wagon.			Class.	Sec- tion.
		Chest complete, consist-	The second secon		
1	1 1	ing of—Continued. Transom, rear, left Front top door rein-	Inside chest	)	
1	1	force. Front pole compart-	In front chest body		
2	2	ment top plate. Front-door hinges male.	Riveted to front door		
2	2	Rear-door hinges,	Riveted to rear door		
1	1	Front top doorplate Front top door rein-	On chest bodydo.		
	1	force. Grindstone-leg brack- et, right end.	In rear-chest compartment		
	1	Grindstone-leg brack- et, left end.	do		
	1		do		
i	1	Grindstone-leg retainer Handrail	Front top of chest		
2	2	Handrail brackets, front, right.	Riveted to chest		
2	2	Handrail brackets, front, left.	do		
4	4	Handrail brackets, rear, right.	do	IV	
1	1	Intermediate bottom plate, right.	Riveted in bottom middle compartment.		
1	. 1	Intermediate bottom plate, left.	do		-
2	2	Inner foot-rest chan- nels.	Riveted to foot rest.		
2 2	2 2	Lid props Lid-prop guide	Linked to lid-prop filler Riveted to front and rear covers.		
2 2	2 2	Lid-prop eye Lid-prop filler	Riveted to top of chest		
2 2	2	Lock eyes	Riveted to chest body		
	2	Lock bars	Hinged to chest top		
4	4 4	Lock-bar hinge, top Lock-bar hinge, top	Riveted to chestdo.		
1	1	reinforce. Name plate	Front upper part chest body.		
1	1	Outer foot-rest chan- nel, right.	Riveted to foot rest		
1	1	Outer foot-rest chan- nel, left,	do		
1	1	Rear cross channel re- inforce.	Riveted to rear cross chan- nel.	)	

Num- ber on store	Num- ber on bat-	Name of part.	Location, etc.	class	erty ifica- on.
wagon.	tery wagon.			Class.	Sec- tion.
		Chest complete, consisting of—Continued.			
2	2	Shot-bolt brackets,	Riveted to front and rear covers.	)	
2	2	Shot-bolt brackets,	do		
4	4		do		
4	4	Shot-bolt eye	Riveted to chest-body side		
4	4	Spare-wheel fastening base.	Riveted to sides chest		
4	4	Spare-wheel fastening	Fastened to base		
4	4	clip. Spare-wheel fastening nuts.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		
6	6	Small door hinge, male	Top of chest		
1	1	Small top doorframe	Top of chest body		
4	4	Spare-wheel fastening bar.	To spare-wheel base		
4	4	Spare-wheel fastening reinforce.	Inside of chest body		
4	4	Spare-wheel stud	•		
4	4	Spare-wheel swing bolt	Bar to body		
2	2	Spare-wheel support	Top of chest body		
2	2		do		
2	2	caps. Spare-wheel support	do	$\rangle_{\text{IV}}$	3
2	2	Spare-wheel support			
2	2	nuts. Spare-wheel support			
2	2	stud. Spare-wheel support			
		swing bolt.			
1 1	1	Weather strip 10F	Small top doorframe		
2	1 2	Weather strip 16B	Top doorframe		
ī	1	Weather strip 17E Weather strip 17B	Front and rear door frame Rear top door frame		
9	9	Chains 2.52 inches long	For OW fastanings		
16	16	Chain rings	do		
3	3	Chain rivets	do		
3	3	Door handles	For door fastenings		
18	18	Door-handle reinforces			
10	10	Door ninges, male			
10	10	Door hinges, female Door-hinge (female) rein-		di.	
20	10	force.			
10	10	Door-hinge pins			
6	6	No. 850,	For door fastenings, etc		
2	2	Padlock-chain rivets			
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## DESCRIPTION OF BATTERY AND STORE WAGON, MODEL 1917.

(PLATE XXVII.)

The battery wagon is of metal throughout with the exception of parts of wheels. The principal parts are wheels, axle, frame, chest, brakes.

The wheels are the standard 56-inch type and are interchangeable with those under caisson.

The axle is a hollow forging made of one piece.

The frame is of flange steel built up of two side rails of channel section, and one rear cross-channel with intermediate bracing chan-The side channels are bent in near the front and meet to form the seat in which the lunette bracket is riveted. Lunette and bracket are similar to those on caissons. The limber prop is similar to caisson limber prop which is attached to front of the frame. Carrying springs similar to those on the caisson are employed to carrying chest. In the rear of the frame is an oil-can compartment fitted to carry hydroline, lubricating-oil, and coal-oil cans.

The chest is of flange steel divided by plates into compartments which are used for carrying various articles of battery equipment. The top compartments are provided with vertical opening hinged doors, the front and rear doors having lid props and locks. The lower compartments are provided with vertical swing doors in front and rear of chest. Spare wheel fastenings are provided on outside of chest for one spare wheel to be carried on each side. The seat with handrail and paulin straps is provided above the chest. Paulins are used as seat cushions. A perforated flange steel foot rest is provided in front of the seat. A spare limber pole is carried pinned to brackets on rear guard cross brace at the front of frame and running back through the chest, in a pole compartment.

The brakes are similar in operation but different in detail from

those on caisson.

The battery wagons and store wagons are identical except that the battery wagon carries a vise on front end of frame and a crowbar bracket below frame on right-hand side and the store wagon contains packing strips and accessories for carrying a grindstone in the upper rear compartment.

#### PADLOCKS AND BOLT SNAPS.

The padlocks furnished for each separate vehicle, as carriage, forge limber, battery wagon, store limber, or store wagon, excepting the limbers and caissons, will have keys interchangeable for all locks of that particular vehicle but differing from all others.

Limbers and caissons are furnished with a lock, marked "AMMU-NITION," which has only one key, these being universally interchangeable.

Bolt snaps for temporarily securing doors, etc., are placed where no shot bolts are provided.

#### BREAST-COLLAR HARNESS.

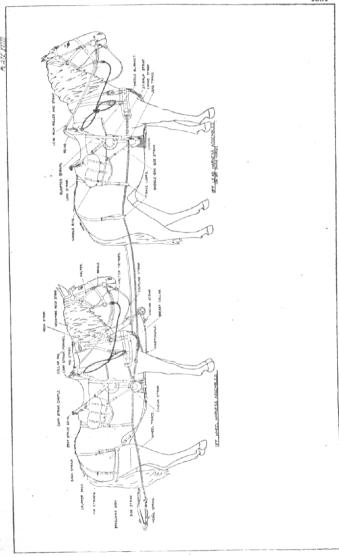
The component parts of the breast-collar harness are given in the table below. Plate XXVIII shows the harness for the off-wheel horse and the off lead swing horse. The nomenclature as given in the table is also given and the particular parts designated on the plate.

At either end the breast collar is toggled to the trace; in front it is held down by a chokestrap which passes between the forelegs and is buckled around the cincha. On the wheel horse, the neck strap and neck-yoke neck strap are held in a collar pad which is hooked to the pommel by the pad strap and pad-strap hook. The neck-yoke neck strap encircles the neck and is fastened to the yoke pole.

Component parts.

	Wheel.		Lead.		Propert classifies tion.	
	Near horse.	Off horse.	Near horse.	Off horse.	Class.	Sec-
Backstrap and crupper, complete, consists of —					)	
Body. Hip strap. Crupper dock. Loin strap. Trace loops. Backstrap hook. Breast collar, complete, consists of—			1 2 1 1 4 1	1 2 1 1 4 1		
Breast collar Chokestrap Neck strap Collar pad, assembled	1 1 1	1 1 1	1 1 1	1 1 1		
Buckle chapes		1			IV	lo (
Neck-yoko neck strapsreeching, complete, consists of— Body. Backstrap.	1 1 1	1 1 1		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Backstrap hook. Crupper dock. Side straps	1 1 2	1 1 2	•••••			
Side-strap hooks Trace loops. Loin strap.	2 2	2 2		110110		





## Component parts-Continued.

	Wh	ieel.	Lead.		Property classifica-	
	Near horse.	Off horse.	Near horse.	Off horse.	Class.	Sec- tion
Bridle, complets (model of 1913), consists of— Brow band	1	1	1	1		
Brow-band ornaments. Crownpiece Crownpiece strap Coupling strap. Reins.	····i	1 1 1 1	1 1 1	1 1 1 1		
Snaffle bit <sup>1</sup>	1	1	1	1		
Cheek piece. Crown chape. Nose band Chin strap. Throat band.	2 1 1 1	1 1 1 1	2 1 1 1	1 1 1 1		
Throat strap. Halter square. Tie rope. Martingale, complete, consists of— Martingale.	1 2 1	1 2 1	1 2 1	1 2 1		=
Cincha strap	1	1	1		ž 1.	
Cinchas, without reinforces and loops. Lead rein roller and strap. Quarter straps, side, including rings and sales.		1 2	2	1 2	IV	
Quarter strap, pommelQuarter strap, cantle	$\frac{1}{1}$	$\frac{1}{1}$	1 1 2	$\frac{1}{1}$		
Coat strap, 33-inch (pommel) Coat strap, 45-inch (cantle) Coat strap, 60-inch	3	1 2	3 1	$\begin{smallmatrix}2\\1\\2\end{smallmatrix}$		
Saddletree, leather covered Stirrups, model of 1912. Stirrup straps. Saddlebags, pairs.	2		$\begin{array}{c}1\\2\\2\end{array}$	1 2 2		
Saddlebags, side straps Traces, lead, model of 1908, consists of		2	2	$\frac{1}{2}$		
1 trace body 1 trace cover. 3 links.						
1 chain 1 toggle. 2 sockets 2 sockets						
2 filler pieces Praces, wheel, model of 1908, consists of 1 trace body	2	2				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Twenty curb bits and chains per battery are issued for use in place of snaffle bits with fractious horses.

### Component parts-Continued.

71:		neel.	Lead.		Property classifica- tion.	
	Near horse.	Off horse.	Near horse.	Off horse.	Class.	Sec-
Traces, wheel, model of 1908, consists of—						eih(si)
1 ring 2 sockets 2 links	.,.,					
2 chains 2 toggles			111111			
2 cones. 2 filler pieces. Mogul spring, assembled.						
1 loop hook 1 ring			,		) IV	
race chain body			2	2		
weat leathers	$\frac{1}{2}$		$\frac{1}{2}$			
SIBLIKET 1	1	1	1	. 1	,	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In submitting and in filling requisitions, unless it is specifically stated that saddle blankets are wanted, they will not be included.

### THE CARE AND PRESERVATION OF LEATHER.

Attention is invited to the following:

"It is forbidden to use any dressing or polishing material on the leather accounterments or equipments of the soldier, the horse equipments for cavalry, or the artillery harness except the preparations supplied by the Ordnance Department for that purpose." (A. R. 293 of 1913.)

#### REASON FOR OILING LEATHER.

Leather, as it comes from the tannery in manufacture, is hard, rough, brittle, inflexible, and readily absorbs water. To remove these undesirable qualities and render the leather soft, pliable, flexible, and impervious to water, to increase the strength and toughness of the fiber, and to give the leather such a surface color and finish as will make it most sightly and suitable for the purpose for which intended, the manufacture is continued by hand stuffing it with a dubbing made of pure cod-liver oil and tallow, which the experience of curriers has shown to be the best material for this purpose. This dubbing is thoroughly absorbed by the leather, penetrating it completely, and is not merely limited to the surface.

The russet leather now used by the Ordnance Department in the manufacture of all leather equipments is pure oak tanned, of No. 1 tannage and finish, hand stuffed with a light dubbing made of pure cod-liver oil and tallow to preserve the leather, the dubbing being so sparingly used that the oil will not exude. This leather as it comes from the manufacturer contains enough oil to materially improve its quality and prolong its life, but not enough to soil the clothing if the equipment is properly cared for. No oil whatever is added to the leather in the manufacture of the equipments at the Government arsenals.

### CARE OF RUSSET LEATHER.

Leather equipments which have become wet should be dried in the shade. Wet leather exposed to the direct rays of the sun or to the heat of a stove or radiator becomes hard and brittle.

When russet-leather equipments become soiled in service they should be cleaned by carefully washing the leather with a sponge moistened with a heavy lather made of clean water and Castile or Frank Miller's soap, and then rubbing vigorously with a dry cloth until the leather is completely dry.

If the leather becomes harsh, dry, and brittle from exposure to water or other causes, clean as above described, and while the leather is still slightly moist apply an exceedingly light coat of neat's-foot oil by rubbing with a soft cloth moistened (not saturated) with the oil. If it is found that too much oil has been used, the surplus can be readily removed by rubbing with a sponge moistened with naphtha or gasoline. But these oils are not issued for this purpose.

Where a polish is desired, the leather should first be thoroughly cleaned and then the leather polish or dressing supplied by the Ordnance Department should be applied sparingly and thoroughly rubbed in with a soft, dry cloth. Scars, cuts, or abrasions of the leather may be improved in appearance but not obliterated by similar use of the leather polish.

Russet leather may be cleaned, oiled, and polished as described above, but it should be noted that if more than a light coat of oil be given the leather will be greatly darkened and will quickly soil the clothing. No method of cleaning will restore the original light color of the leather or remove stains or discolorations.

#### CARE OF BLACK LEATHER.

To clean and dress black leather, wash it in water (lukewarm preferred) with Castile soap. An old horse brush will be found very satisfactory for applying the soap and water. Dry in the shade; when almost dry, apply the blacking, rubbing it in thoroughly.

Dry in the shade and then apply neat's-foot oil with a sponge or rag, rubbing in well until the leather is soft and pliable.

When dry, a certain amount of oil and blacking will exude from the leather; this should be rubbed off with a dry cloth.

## SIGHTS.

The instruments for sighting and laying the piece include a rocking bar sight, and panoramic sight.

#### ROCKING-BAR SIGHT.

The rocking bar sight consists principally of a rocking bar and a sight bar. The rocking bar is pivoted horizontally at the front end to an arm on the left trunnion of the cradle. A bracket is riveted to the underside at the rear end to carry the angle of site level. An open square socket is formed in the bracket for the reception of a similar shaped projection on the arc bracket of the range gear, by which the reciprocating motion of the elevating screw is conveyed to the bar. The rear end is provided with a crosshead in which works a traversing screw with milled heads, and a nut which enables 90 mils of deflection right or left to be given to the sight bar.

The sight bar is pivoted vertically about its center to a socket with an adjustable bushing in the rocking bar. The rear end of the bar is fixed to the traversing nut. The nut on the traversing screw is in two parts having a spring inserted to keep the halves apart; the object of this arrangement is to take up backlash in the deflection gear due to the wear of the screw. A cap is provided for the protection of the sight. The rocking bar sight is removable, being attached to the trunnion arm and arc bracket by nuts and pins.

The permanent angle for drift is given by the axis of the cradle being inclined at an angle of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  degrees, the left trunnion being the lower, so that as elevation is given the gun muzzle moves to the left the necessary amount to correct for drift. The angle of site level attached to the bracket of the rocking bar admits of 200 mils elevation and 200 mils depression.

## ANGLE OF SITE.

The angle of site level consists principally of a level bracket with leveling screw and a-level holder trunnioned to the upper part of

the bracket. To the rear end of the leveling screw is attached the micrometer disc, having 100 divisions, so that one of these divisions corresponds to one mil (1/1000 of the range) used on the panoramic sight. The level holder has a toothed segment meshing with the leveling screw and marked 2, 3, 4, and 5, and in connection with the micrometer disc are read 200,300, etc., plus the indication of the latter. The 3 or 300 mark corresponds to the mean or zero position of the holder, and, in measuring the angle of site, the reading of the level scale should be subtracted from 300, the algebraic sign of the result indicating whether the angle of site is negative or positive, i. e. target below or above gun.

## ROCKING-BAR SIGHT-ALIGNMENT TESTS.

Before any of the following operations are carried out, the carriage should be first placed on a firm platform, or on hard, level ground and manipulated until the gun is level transversely. The breech mechanism is then removed and fine threads or hairs stretched across the muzzle and breech axis lines, form a good bore sight. To align the rocking bar sight with the axis of the bore, first set the sight at zero deflection, and, lay the bore accurately on some point at least 2,000 yards distant. The open sights should now be on the distant point, if not, correct as follows: Loosen the clamping screw below the foresight and screw the acorn of the sight up or down until the line of sight is on the distant point. There is no adjustment for transverse error as this error is not important, and not likely to be large.

Plate shows a target of dimensions, placed in a vertical position perpendicular to the line of sight, at such a height that the point "Bore" is at the same height as the axis of the bore of the gun. This target may be used when no clearly defined object is available. It should be placed about 50 yards from the gun.

Care must be taken that the bubble of the angle of site level remains in the center of its run while carrying out this test, which it will do if the lower elevating handwheel is not interfered with.

Place a spirit level on the muzzle end of the guide ribs on the gun and bring the bubble level by working the upper elevating handwheel. The yard and degree scale ring should then be reading zero. If it does not, remove the split pin from the end of the spindle, slack back the nut of the jamming plate, turn the scale ring to zero by hand, see that the bubbles of both spirit levels are still central, and reclamp.

## PANORAMIC SIGHT, MODEL OF 1917.

(PLATE XXIX.)

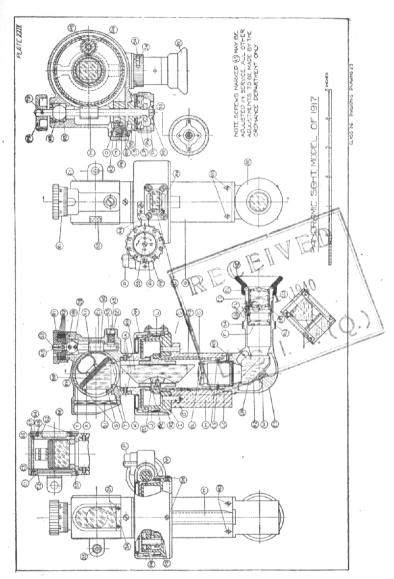
The panoramic sight is a vertical telescope so fitted with an optical system of reflecting prisms and lenses that the gunner with his eye at the fixed rubber eyepiece (RE) can bring into the field of view an object situated at any point in a plane perpendicular to the axis of the telescope.

## OPTICAL SYSTEM.

The rays coming from the object are reflected downward from the rotating head prism (RHP) into the rotating prism (RP). The rotating prism (RP) rectifies the rays; after their passage through the achromatic objective lens (OL), the lower reflecting prism (LRP) reflects them in such a way that there is presented to the eye lens (EL) a reflected image, which the evepiece magnifies. A characteristic of the rotating prism is that upon rotation about its longitudinal axis the image of the object seen through it turns with twice the angular velocity of the rotating prism. The rotating head prism and rotating prism are so mounted as to rotate about this axis, the rotating prism following the rotating head prism with onehalf of the angular velocity of the latter; the image always remains as it would appear to one observing it directly with an ordinary telescope. The image formed by the achromatic objective lens (OL) would then be reversed and inverted. The rays are cross reflected to the opposite sides of the axis by the inclined faces of the lower reflecting prism, thus correcting the reversal.

The combined action of the rotating head prism (RHP), the rotating prism (RP), and lower reflecting prism (LRP), and the nature of action varying with different positions of the prisms provide for the correction of the inversion of the image. The rotating head prism (RHP) and lower reflecting prism (LRP) as shown in position on Plate XXIX act as parallel reflectors, and they without the lens system would present an erect image. The rotating prism (RP), however, inverts the rays and corrects the inversion produced by the achromatic objective lens (OL). It will be noted that the effect is the same whether the rotating prism (RP) occupies the position shown on the plate or is revolved 180° from that position.

The rotating head prism (RHP) must be turned through 360° to obtain a rotation of 180° for the rotating prism (RP). If the rotating head prism (RHP) is rotated through 180°, the rotating prism (RP) and lower reflecting prism (LRP) would form reflectors set at



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right angles, and would give, without the lens system, an inverted image, and in conjunction with the lens system an erect image. The rotating prism (RP) in this case will occupy a position of 90° from that shown on the plate, in which position it causes no inversion, but counteracts the inversion produced by the lower reflecting prism (LRP).

The instrument has a magnifying power of 4, and a field view of 10°.

## THE PRINCIPAL PARTS.

The principal parts of the panoramic sight are the rotating head mechanism, the elevating device, the azimuth mechanism, the rotating prism mechanism, the counting device, the shank, and the elbow.

### ROTATING HEAD MECHANISM.

The rotating head mechanism consists principally of the rotating head (RH), rotating head prism (RHP), rotating head prism holder (Y), prism holder cover (C2), elevation index support (G2), prism shield (S1), and rotating head cover (C1).

The rotating head (RH) forms a housing for its movable parts, and provides seats for the elevation-worm ball socket and cap (2B and 1B), and rotating head prism holder (Y). The front opening of the rotating head is closed by the prism shield (S1) which forms a dust guard. The bottom threaded seat of the rotating head screws upon the upper end of the azimuth circle (J) and is locked in place by four rotating head retaining screws (1A). Upon the rear face of the rotating head (RH) is engraved a scale (G3), which is used for measuring the elevation of the rotating head prism holder (Y), which retains the rotating head prism (RHP), and has an index mark upon the projection coinciding with the graduations of the elevation micrometer (R1), thus measuring the angle of site.

The rotating head prism (RHP) is mounted within the rotating head prism holder (Y), between the prism support front (S), prism support bottom (T), and prism support back (X), and is secured in position by the rotating head prism spring (XI), which bears upon the prism support back (X). The rotating head prism (RHP) is protected on the right side by the prism holder cover (C2) and on the left side by the elevation index support (G2). The movement of the rotating head prism holder (Y), upon which the elevation segment (WS) is cut, is accomplished by the elevation worm (E1) and the length of travel is controlled by seven brass stop rings (R2). Each ring has a small tongue, the edge of which engages at each revolution of the elevation worm (E1) with the tongue on the ad-

jacent ring. Each ring is thus engaged in its turn until six revolutions have been made, when the tongues are all in contact and no further movement can be made in that direction.

The prism shield (S1) is held within the rotating head (RH) by the prism shield retaining piece (3A), which is in turn secured by two prism shield retaining piece screws (2A).

The prism holder cover (C2) screws into its threaded seat, located in the right side of the rotating head prism holder (Y), and is locked in position by the prism-holder cover screw (C3).

The rotating head cover (C1) screws into its threaded seat, located in the right side of the rotating head (RH), and is held in place by the rotating head cover screw (S7). The exterior of the rotating head cover (C1) has two small holes for teat wrench, and engravings "Field 10°" and "Power 4" are located on the exterior surface.

The elevation index support (G2) screws into its threaded seat located in the left side of the rotating head prism holder (Y) and is secured in place by the elevation index support screw (G7). The small holes in the exterior surface allow the use of a teat wrench to enable the elevation index support (G2) to be screwed in place. The support retaining ring (G4) retains the elevation index support with rotating head prism holder within the rotating head and is locked in position by the supporting ring screw (G5).

The elevation index (G6) is held upon the elevation index support (G2) by the two elevation-index retaining screws (G8). The arrow engraved upon the German silver piece which is dovetailed in the elevation index (G6) coincides with the graduations of the scale (G3) engraved upon the rear face of the rotating head (RH).

#### ELEVATION DEVICE.

The elevation device consists principally of the elevation segment (WS), elevation worm (E1), elevation worm ball cap and socket (1B and 2B) elevation worm plunger spring and plug (S3 and E2), elevation micrometer (R1), seven stop rings (R2), and elevation index (G6).

The elevation segment (WS) is hobbed into the rotating head prism holder (Y) and meshes with the elevation worm (E1).

The elevation worm (E1) is mounted in the back of the rotating head (RH) in a ball and socket bearing (2B) which in conjunction with the elevation worm plunger spring (S3) and plunger (E2) prevents backlash between the elevation worm (E1) and the elevation segment (WS).

The elevation micrometer (R1) is held upon the upper slotted end of the elevation worm (E1) by the micrometer locking screw short (S2). The scale engraved upon the periphery is graduated into 100 equal divisions, numbered every 10 divisions. The upper exterior diameter of the elevation worm micrometer head is straight knurled to facilitate turning. One complete revolution of the elevation micrometer (R1) is equal to the distance between each graduation upon the scale (G3) on the rear face of the rotating head. Each graduation represents 100 mils and the scale (G3) is so planned that the line of sight is horizontal when it reads 3.

#### OPEN SIGHT.

The open sight (OS) is constructed of bronze plate bent to shape having an arm projecting out at each end, each arm containing a hole. A bronze knee is soldered to the interior of the front projecting arm over the center of the hole in such a manner as to form a sight which is used for quick sighting. The open sight (OS) is secured to the rotating head cover by two open sight retaining screws.

#### AZIMUTH MECHANISM.

The principal parts of the azimuth mechanism are the azimuth circle support (I), azimuth circle (J), azimuth worm (M), bearing socket (WBI) and bearing cap (WB), throw-out plunger (P6) and spring (N), spring plate for azimuth circle (K), azimuth circle hood (AH), azimuth micrometer (P1), azimuth index (A4) and micrometer index (P2).

The azimuth circle support (I) screws on the shank (G), to which it is pinned by two dowels (D). The rotating prism held by a screw in its holder is screwed into the supporting sleeve (P3) and then placed in the shank (G). The azimuth circle (J) rests on the tapering wall of the azimuth circle support (I), being held in place by the spring plate for azimuth circle (K) which along with the azimuth circle hood (AH) covers the rotating parts of the azimuth mechanism. The spring plate (K) furnishes the necessary friction between the azimuth circle (J) and the azimuth circle hood (AH). In the left side of the azimuth circle hood (AH) the azimuth worm (M) is held in a ball and socket bearing (WB) so that by means of a throw-out jam (O) the worm (M) may be thrown out of mesh with the azimuth circle (J) for quick approximate adjustment in sighting, but is normally held in mesh by the throw-out plunger (P6) and spring (N).

The German silver strip on the bottom of the azimuth circle is divided into 64 equal divisions and each even number is numbered. As each complete turn of the azimuth worm (M) rotates the azimuth circle (J) one division, and the azimuth micrometer is graduated in 100 divisions, each division on the azimuth micrometer (P1) represents 1/6400 of the circumference, or 1 mil. Therefore an angular movement of one division on the azimuth micrometer causes a lateral displacement of so near 1/1000 of the range that the difference is disregarded. Thus the numbers read through the azimuth circle window (AW) represent hundreds of mils, and the reading on the azimuth micrometer (P1) represent mils. On the azimuth micrometer starting from 0 in each direction, every 10th division is numbered in red or black, those in red giving left deflection and those in black right deflection. The micrometer index (P2) has two arrows one marked "L" and the other "R" engraved on it; the "R" filled in in black and the "L" in red. The azimuth index arrow is filled in with black. As the micrometer index (P2) is fastened tightly to the azimuth worm (M) it must turn with it but the azimuth micrometer (P1) does not as the locking spring (LS) and deflection locking plate (LP) prevent it from turning when the azimuth worm (M) is turned. As the azimuth micrometer (P1) may be turned independently of the worm (M) it can be so set as to be used for a counting devise.

The shank (G) forms a body for the instrument and provides a seat for the azimuth circle support (I) to be doweled to and a thread at the lower end for the elbow (E5) to screw into. On the front of the shank (G) is a T lug (H) that fits into a T slot at the top of the rear sight in which it is held by a screw with knurled head.

## ROTATING PRISM MECHANISM.

The rotating prism mechanism consists principally of: The rotating prism (RP), rotating prism holder (PC), supporting sleeve for rotating prism (P3), and the pinions for rotating prism and rotating head (P4). The azimuth circle (J) is geared, by means of two pinions (P4) turning on the pinion shaft (PS) set in the azimuth circle support (I), to the rotating prism holder (PC), so that the angular movement of the rotating head (RH) is twice that of the rotating prism holder (PC). The rotating prism (RP) is retained in the rotating prism holder (PC) by a set screw (RS) and a block (B3) cemented to the rotating prism (RP) after the prism is ground out to fit it.

#### ELBOW.

The principal parts mounted in the lower end of the elbow are: The reticule (F), reticule cell (RC2), achromatic field lens (FL), achromatic eye lens (EL), eye lens cell (EC), and rubber eyepiece (RE).

The achromatic objective lens (OL) is mounted in the upper end of the objective lens cell (LC). This cell is secured in its threaded seat in the upper end of the elbow (E5) by two objective lens cell retaining screws (CS).

The elbow is screwed in the lower end of the shank (G) and secured by the four elbow retaining screws (4ES) in such a manner that its projecting arm is perpendicular to the axis of the instrument.

The lower reflecting prism (LRP) remains stationary, as it is firmly pressed against seats machined in the elbow (E5) by a holder (X2) fitted to a seat at the bottom of the elbow. The tension of this holder is regulated by a wedge (W) to the required amount. Upon the right side of the elbow (E5) is an opening through which the light is thrown upon the reticule (F). This opening is covered by the window (SW) to protect the interior of the eyepiece from dust and dirt. The shutter (S4) is so designed to slide over the opening in the elbow (SW) being guided by the shutter stop screw and movement limited by the elongated slot.

The reticule (F) has two cross lines etched on its surface and is mounted in the forward end of the reticule cell (RC2) which is secured in the eye lens cell (EC) by the reticule cell retaining screw. The horizontal cross line of the reticule is graduated in mils.

The achromatic eye lens (EL) is mounted in the eye lens cell (EC) and is separated from the achromatic field lens (FL) by the lens separator (LC3). The achromatic field lens (FL) is held within the eye lens cell (EC) by the field lens retaining ring (LR3), which in turn is locked by the field lens cell retaining ring screw. The eye lens cell is secured to the elbow by the eye lens cell retaining screw (ES1).

All interior metallic surfaces exposed to the refracted light are finished with dull black baking enamel. All exposed optical elements, covers, and non-rotating joints are sealed with the litharge cement or equal. All German silver graduated surfaces are sand-blasted and lacquered.

Note.—Screws marked (AS) may be adjusted in service. All other adjustments to be made by the Ordnánce Department only.

## Nomenclature of parts of panoramic sight, model of 1917.

	Symbol.	Name of part.		Symbol.	Name of part.
1	AH	Azimuth-circle hood.	44	M	a sint juga inteleterdos
2	AW	Azimuth-circle window.	45	N	Azimuth worm.
3	1A	Rotating - head retaining	46		Spring.
	111	retaining - nead retaining		0	Throw-out cam.
4	2A	Screw.	47	OL	A chromatic objective lens.
7	2.0	Prism - shield retaining	48	os	Open sight.
5	24	piece screw.	49	P	Throw-out lever.
0	3A	Prism - shield retaining	50	PC	Rotating-prism holder.
6		piece.	51	PS	Pinion shaft.
	A4	Azimuth index.	52	P1	Azimuth micrometer.
7	. 1B	Elevation-worm ballcap.	- 53	P2	Micrometer index.
8	2B	Elevation-worm ball sock- et.	54	P3	Supporting sleeve for ro- tating prism.
9	B3	Block in rotating prism.	55	P4	Pinions for rotating prism
0	CS	Objective-lens cell retain-	100		and rotating head.
	to the short	ing screw.	56	P5	Azimuth-worm knob.
1	C1	Rotating-head cover.	57	· P6	Throw-out plunger.
2	C2	Prism-holder cover.	58	RC2	Reticule cell.
3	C3	Prism-holder cover screw.	59	RE	
4	D	Dowel pin.	60	RH	Rubber evepiece.
5	EC	Eye-lens cell.	61		Rotating head.
6	EL	Achromatic eye lens.	62	RHP	Rotating head prism.
7	ES1	Eye-lens cell retaining	63	RN	Fpring-retaining nut.
٠.	EST			RP	Rotating prism.
8	E1	screw.	64	RS	Rotating-prism holder
9	E2	Elevation worm.	0.0		screw.
0		Worm-plungerspring plug.	65	RW	Retaining washer.
	4ES	Flbow-retaining screw.	66	R1	Flevation micrometer.
1	E5	Flbow.	67	R2	Ftop ring.
2	F	Reticule.	68	S	Prism-support front.
3	FL	Achromatic field lens.	69	SB	Index-knob washer.
4	G	Shank.	70	SW	Window.
5	G2	Flevation-index support.	71	S1	Prism shield.
6	G3	Scale.	72	S2	Micrometer-locking screw,
7	G4	Support-retaining ring.			short.
8	G5	Support - retaining ring	73	S3	Worm-plunger spring.
	berry many	screw.	74	S4	Shutter.
9	G6	Elevation index.	75	S5	Micrometer-locking screw,
0	G7	Elevation-index support		111 10 50	long. Barovand ed
	D. Harris	screw.	76	S7	Rotating-head cover screw.
1	G8	Elevation-index retaining	77	T	Prism-support bottom.
	M. Adda A	screws.	78	TP	Taper pin.
2	H	"T" lug.	79	W	Wedge.
3	5HS	Azimuth-circle hood screw.	80	WB	Bearing cap.
4	I	Azimuth-circle support.	81		
5	ĵ	Azimuth-circle.	82	ws	Bearing socket.
6	ĸ	Spring plate for azimuth	83	X	Flevation segment.
		circle.	84	Xi	Prism-support back.
7	L	German-silver strip.	31	AI	Rotating head - prism
8	LC	Objections cell.	OF	770	spring.
9	LP	Deflection looking plets	85	X2	Lower reflecting-prism
9	LRP	Deflection locking plate.	0.0	37	holder.
		Lowerreflecting prism.	86	Y	Rotating head-prism hold-
1	LS	Locking spring.		1	er.
2	LC3	I ens separator.	1	0.000	The property property
3	LR3	Field-lens cell retaining			non Thomas buderon a france
	1.	ring.	1	1 10 10 10 10	

## USE OF THE PANORAMIC SIGHTS, MODEL OF 1917.

For direct aiming.—Set the rocking bar sight at the required elevations and correct the difference of level of wheels; set off the desired deflection on the azimuth circle of the panoramic sight; bring the crosslines of the sight upon the target by means of the elevating and traversing devices of the carriage. For imparting the approximate initial direction the line sight may be used with advantage.

In using the model of 1917 sight for direct fire care must be taken that the rotating head be set at 300 mils and the deflection mechanism.

For indirect aiming.—Set the rear sight at the required elevation and make correction for difference of level of wheels; set the azimuth circle of the panoramic sight at the deflection ordered. Lay the gun for deflection by directing the vertical line of the panoramic sight at the auxiliary aiming point.

The angle of deflection to be set off on the azimuth circle of the panoramic sight is the same as the angle made by joining the target and the auxiliary aiming point with the sight.

## CARE OF THE PANORAMIC SIGHT, MODEL OF 1917.

These sights are delicate instruments, and must not be subjected to any rough usage, jars, or strains. In firing they remain in position on the carriage; in the field when not in use they are kept in the padded leather cases prepared for them on the rear of the main shield.

To obtain satisfactory vision, the glasses must be perfectly clean and dry. The T lug on the sight and the slot forming its seat should be kept lightly oiled as a preventive of rust. The worm and worm rack should be oiled with vaseline. When dust accumulates on the pointers it should be removed by a fine camel's-hair brush in the hands of an experienced person.

To clean the rotating-head window and the front face of the rotating head, do not remove the rotating-head window from the window cell.

In panoramic sights the exposed optical elements and all non-moving joints are sealed and no attempt should be made to remove them.

## ADJUSTMENTS OF SIGHTS.

The sights are correctly adjusted when, at zero elevation and deflection the line of sight is parallel to the axis of the bore.

## ALIGNMENT OF PANORAMIC SIGHT, MODEL OF 1917.

Direct the panoramic sight by means of the azimuth micrometer and rear sight scroll gear until its line of sight is parallel to the axis of the bore. The method of determining when this condition of parallelism exists is described hereafter. Without disturbing the direction of this line of sight move the azimuth micrometer of panoramic sight and the range strip of the rocking bar sight until the zero marks come opposite their respective indices. The azimuth micrometer may be moved after loosening the locking screw in the end of the worm. This locking screw may be loosened by the combined teat wrench, and screw driver used for the purpose. If the azimuth micrometer can not be readily removed, grasp the sight by the azimuth micrometer, release the worm from the worm gear of the azimuth circle, and gently tap the exposed end of the worm with small piece of wood or soft metal.

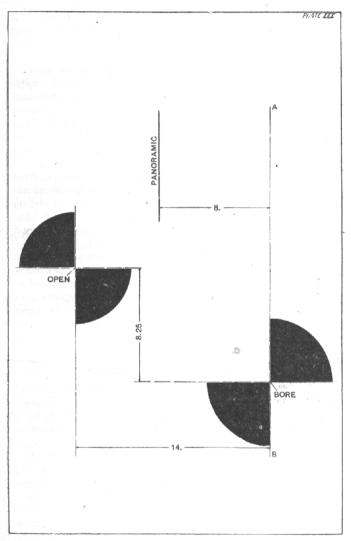
To locate the index opposite the zero of the scale loosen the four screws that hold the movable index cover in place and move this cover until the index is properly located; then tighten the screws. Movement of the range strip of the rear sight is made possible by a slot in the shank in which the range strip screw can be moved when the nut has been loosened.

## VERIFICATION OF PARALLELISM OF LINES OF SIGHTS AND AXIS OF BORE.

The adjustment of the sights is of much importance and should be verified so frequently that battery commanders will find it advantageous to make permanent arrangement for such verification where possible. The leveled supports constituting the carriage emplacement should preferably be of stone. The site of the target should be prepared, and the exact locations of the target and horizontal reference points permanently marked. If these arrangements are properly made, subsequent verifications of sights and quadrants will become a simple matter.

A target of dimensions given in Plate XXX is placed in a vertical position perpendicular to the line of sight, at such a height that the point "bore" is at the same height as the axis of the bore of the gun. The verticality of the target is assured by a plumb line attached at A, coinciding with the vertical line A B.

The carriage is placed with the wheels and trail resting upon solid supports of wood or stone, the surfaces of which have been carefully leveled, so as to bring the axle horizontal. Now direct the gun so that the prolongation of the axis of the bore, as deter-



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mined by the bore sights, pierces the target at the proper joint, the lines of sight of the open and panoramic sights are then adjusted in direction by the means explained above until they pierce the targets in the points marked, respectively, "open" and "panoramic."

The axis of the bore is determined and prolonged by means of bore sights. In the absence of such means a breech-bore sight may be made from an empty cartridge case from which the primer has been removed; a piece of paper should be pasted over the primer seat and a pinhole made in its exact center to serve as a peep sight. If the cartridge case does not completely fill the bore, it should be skimmed all around with tissue paper until it does so. For a muzzle-bore sight, use should be made of the traces of the horizontal and vertical planes containing the axis of the bore, which are marked on the muzzle of the gun. Fine threads or hairs stretched across the muzzle to coincide with these lines form a good bore sight, and the ends of such threads may be conveniently fastened to a cloth strap buckled around the muzzle of the gun.

In the field, where from lack of time or proper facilities the method just given can not be followed, the adjustment of the sights may be verified by bringing the lines of sight at zero elevation and deflection to bear upon some sharply defined point of a distant object. At such a range (for instance, 2,000 yards or more) the parallax may be neglected, and if the sights are correctly adjusted the lines of sight and the prolongation of the axis of the bore will sensibly pass through

the selected aiming point.

## ADDITIONAL TESTS.

After the sights are adjusted they should be subjected to the following tests to insure their accuracy at extremes of elevation and azimuth:

(a) With carriage level and gun and sights at zero elevation and deflection, the lines of sight and axis of bore prolonged pierce the

target (fig. 1) in the proper points.

(b) The gun is then moved to its maximum elevation; as the sight elevation is altered, the lines of sight should follow the vertical lines

through the same points of the target (fig. 1).

(c) With conditions as in (a), the gun is moved upon the carriage to its extreme positions in azimuth; as the sight deflections are now altered, the lines of sight should follow the horizontal lines through the same points on the target (fig. 1).

By construction and assemblage the sights, if correctly adjusted, should fulfill the above conditions with substantial accuracy.

error be noted, a report or the facts of the case with the cause, if known, should be made to the Ordnance officer charged with the repair of the material for his information and action.

### SPARE SIGHTS.

To each battery is issued one set of spare sights, consisting of one panoramic sight. These parts are carried in a special chest in the battery wagon. One set of bore sights (consisting of one breech and one muzzle bore sight) and one level for use in adjusting sights, etc., are also issued to each battery.

## ADJUSTING INSTRUMENTS.

A complete detailed description of the method of disassembling and adjusting the different instruments is given in Ordnance Office Pamphlet No. 1795, Instructions for the Care, Preservation, Repair, and Adjustment of Instruments for the Fire-Control System for Coast and Field Artillery. Attention is invited to General Orders No. 47, War Department, March 24, 1905, with reference to the care and repair of panoramic sights, battery commander's telescopes and range finders.

No disassembling of instruments except as prescribed herein will be permitted. The disassembling of telescopic instruments allowed herein must be done only in the presence of a commissioned officer. Disassembling as permitted in Pamphlet 1795 must be done only by officers or employees of the Ordnance Department.

## ACCURACY OF FIRE.

The two essentials for good shooting are good matériel and skillful personnel. There is practically no limit to improvement in personnel, which may be accomplished by careful training. Improvements in matériel are the subject of constant investigation.

## CAUSES OF INACCURACY.

The chief causes of unavoidable inaccuracy are-

- (a) Variations in the action of the gun and mount and in the ammunition.
- (b) Variations in the atmospheric conditions, the effects of which can not be determined accurately.

## INACCURACIES FOR PERCUSSION FIRE.

Variations in the action of the gun and mount cause a variable "jump," which alters the angle of departure.

Variations in the powder charges and projectiles cause variations in the initial velocities, and the flight of the projectile is further influenced by the variations in the atmospheric conditions.

## INACCURACIES FOR TIME FIRE

In addition to the above causes for inaccuracy for percussion fire, the principal causes for inaccuracy of time fire are variations in the action of the fuze, which arise from variations in—

- (a) Time of ignition of time train.
- (b) Rate of burning of the time train.
- (c) Time of transmission of the flame from the time train to the base charge.

### RANGE ERRORS.

We are principally concerned with the inaccuracies in range, since those in the lateral direction, due to matériel, are so small as to be negligible. However, the latter are given also.

From firings conducted with each type of gun and ammunition, from which the errors of personnel have been eliminated so far as practicable, range tables are compiled, and a measure of the accuracy is obtained in the following manner:

From the ranges and deviations obtained at each elevation the mean values are computed. The difference of each round from the mean value gives the error, and the mean of the errors affords a measure of the accuracy.

The following table illustrates this method:

No. of rounds.	Range.	Variation from mean.	Deviation right, drift.	Variation from mean.
PROBLEM DESIGNED OF THE	Yards. 5,973.6	Yards. 26. 4	Yards. 62.4	Yards.
2	5,978.0	22. 0	58.7	7.1
3	6,026.0	26.0	53.1	2.2
4	5,956.6	43.4	48.0	7.3
6	6,053.6 6,012.2	53. 6 12. 2	49. 2 60. 4	6.1 5.1
Application of League to book	36, 000. 0	183.6	331.8	31.2
Mean	6,000.0	30.6	55.3	5.2

The second column in the above table gives the actual ranges. The mean range is obtained by adding all together and dividing by 6, since 6 rounds are considered.

The third column contains the error or difference of each round, irrespective of sign, from the mean range just found. The mean of these differences is then obtained and called the mean error in

range. Evidently, if all the projectiles fall nearly at the same range this mean error will be small.

The fourth column gives the lateral deviation from the direction in which the axis of the bore points before the piece is fired. The mean deviation is at the bottom of this column.

The fifth column gives the differences from this mean, with a mean at the bottom called the mean error in deviation or mean lateral error.

Collecting the results from the table, we have:

	Yards.
Mean range.	6,000
Mean longitudinal error	
Mean deviation right	55.3
Mean lateral error	5.2

When the position of the center of impact on the horizontal plane is shown, figure 1 shows how the magnitude of the angle of fall determines the position of the center of impact on a vertical target. Thus,

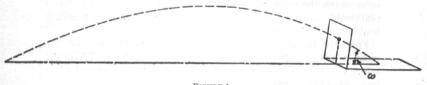


FIGURE 1.

if  $\omega$  be the angle of fall, and if the horizontal target is struck at a distance l from the vertical one, the latter will be struck at a height which equals l tan  $\omega$ .

The angle of fall of the 3-inch shrapnel at 6,000 yards is known to be 23° 40′.9 and the mean range error of the point of burst of a series of rounds is 30.6 yards for the same range, then the

Mean vertical error=30.6 tan 23° 40′.9. =13.4 yards.

Vertical targets are employed at the shorter ranges, because they may then be of moderate size, and errors due to inequalities of the ground are eliminated, but at long ranges targets can not generally be made large enough to catch all the rounds.

The center of impact on a horizontal target is the intersection of the lines of mean range and mean lateral deviation, and on a vertical target it is the intersection of the lines of mean vertical and mean lateral deviation. The mean trajectory is that which passes through the center of impact.

In figure 2 the central white line represents the mean trajectory, the dark band is that in which 50 per cent of the trajectories lie; the shaded band is that which contains 75 per cent, while the outer band contains the remainder. The width of these bands is exaggerated in figure 2 for the sake of showing them clearly.

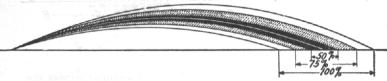


FIGURE 2.

#### PROBABLE ZONES.

It can be shown by the theory of probabilities that if each of the three mean errors is multiplied by the factor 1.69, the widths of zones (of infinite length) which will contain 50 per cent of the hits are obtained.

The mean range error  $\times$  1.69 gives the width of the 50 per cent zone for range; the mean lateral error  $\times$  1.69 gives the width of the 50 per cent zone for deviation; the mean vertical error  $\times$  1.69 gives the width of the 50 per cent zone for height.

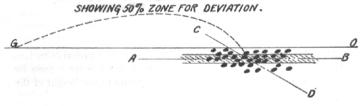
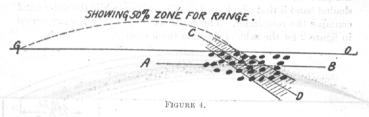


FIGURE 3.

Thus, if GO, figures 3 and 4, represents the direction of the gun, and AB be a straight line parallel to it at a distance equal to the mean lateral deviation, and CD be a straight line at right angles to GO or AB at a distance from the muzzle equal to the mean range; then if the zone in figure 3, called the zone for deviation, and that in figure 4, called the zone for range, each contains 50 per cent of the hits on the surface of the ground, their widths must

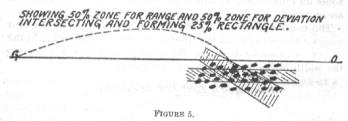
be 1.69 times the mean lateral error and 1.69 times the mean range error, respectively. AB and CD are the central lines of these zones,

If now we look at figure 6, where these zones are superposed, we see a rectangle which must contain 50 per cent of 50 per cent, or



25 per cent of the total number of hits. In a similar manner the 25 per cent rectangle on a vertical target is made up of the intersection of the 50 per cent zones for deviation and height.

The relative accuracy of different guns at different ranges is estimated by the dimensions of this rectangle, which is called the 25 per cent probable rectangle.



At each range there is a horizontal and a vertical probable rectangle, the width of each is the same, as each has the same zone for deviation, but the relation of the length of one to the height of the other depends on the angle of fall.

#### TABLE OF PROBABILITY FACTORS.

The following table gives the proportional width of other zones (containing a different percentage of hits) to one of 50 per cent as unity:

Per cent.	Factor.	Per cent.	Factor.	Per cent,	Factor.	Per cent.	Factor
1	0, 02	26	0.49	51	1.02	76	1.74
2	. 04	27	. 51	52	1.04	77	1.78
3	. 06	28	. 53	53	1.07	78	1.82
4	. 07	29	. 55	54	1.09	79	1.86
5	.09	30	. 57	55	1.12	80	1.90
6	. 11	31	. 59	56	1.14	81	1.94
7	. 13	32	. 61	57	1.17	82	1.98
8	. 15	33	. 63	58	1.19	83	2.03
9	. 17	34	. 65	59	1.22	84	2.08
10	. 18	35	. 67	60	1.25	85	2.13
11 12	. 20	36	. 70	61	1, 27	86	2.18
12	. 22	37	.72	62	1.30	87	2.24
13	. 24	38	. 74	63	1.33	88	2.30
14	. 26	39	. 76	64	1.36	89	2.37
15	. 28	40	. 78	65	1.39	90	2.44
16	. 30	41	, 80	66	1.42	91	2.52
17	. 32	42	. 82	. 67	1.45	92	2,60
18	. 34	43	. 84	68	1.48	93	2, 69
19	. 36	44	. 86	69	1.51	94	2.78
20	38	45	. 89	70	1.54	95	2.91
21	. 40	46	. 91	71	1.57	96	3.04
22	. 41	47	. 93	72	1.60	97	3.22
23	. 43	48	. 95	73	1.64	98	3.45
24	. 45	49	. 98	74	1.67	99	3.82
25	. 47	50	1.00	75	1.71	100	

Taking the width of a 50 per cent zone as unity, the factors in the above table are the widths of other zones containing different percentages. Thus 80 per cent and 20 per cent zones are, respectively, 1.90 and 0.38 times as wide as the 50 per cent zone.

If the width of the 50 per cent zone is given in yards or feet, the widths of other zones containing different percentages can be obtained by *multiplying* by their corresponding factors. Thus if the width of a 50 per cent zone is 3 yards, the widths of 25 per cent and 72 per cent zones are  $0.47 \times 3 = 1.41$  yards and  $1.60 \times 3 = 4.80$  yards, respectively.

Conversely, if it is required to find what percentage will fall in a zone of given width, the factor must be obtained by *dividing* by the width of the 50 per cent zone.

Thus with the same 50 per cent zone (3 yards wide), as before, what percentages will fall in zones 2 yards and 6 yards wide? The factors are 2/3=0.67 and 6/3=2.00, and they correspond to 35 per cent and 82.4 per cent, respectively.

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## GENERAL INFORMATION.

## PAINTING ARTILLERY MATÉRIEL.

The paint issued for this purpose is of olive-drab color, put up in 5-pound cans ready for use, and is applied to both wood and metal parts. If the paint is too thick turpentine should be used as a thinner, but not to greater extent than 2 per cent by volume.

All steel and iron nonbearing surfaces should be painted, including that portion of the underside of the gun between the clips. Wearing and bearing surfaces, teeth of gear wheels, elevating screws, piston rods, cylinders, counter-recoil springs, and interior of cradle should not be painted.

All parts to be painted should be free from dirt or grease. They may be washed in a liquid made by dissolving one-half pound sal soda in 8 quarts of warm water, then rinsed in clean water, and wiped thoroughly dry.

Where the matériel is in fair condition and only marred in spots, the marred places should be primed with olive-drab paint, second coat, and permitted to dry. Then the whole surface should be sand-papered with No. 1½ sandpaper and a coat of paint applied and allowed to dry thoroughly before use.

Where the matériel is in bad condition all parts should be thoroughly sandpapered with No. 2½ sandpaper, be given a coat of paint, and be permitted to dry for at least 24 hours; then sandpapered with No. 00 sandpaper, apply a finishing coat, and permit the parts to dry thoroughly before use.

In general, two coats of paint per year will be sufficient to keep the matériel in good condition. After repeated painting the paint may become so thick as to scale off in places or give an unsightly appearance. It may then be removed for repainting, as follows:

Dissolve 1 pound of concentrated lye, powdered form, in 6 pints of hot water, and slake in enough lime to give the solution the consistency of paint. Use the solution freshly mixed and apply to the parts where paint is to be removed with a brush or with waste tied to the end of a stick. When the solution begins to dry on the surface use a scraper to remove the old paint, and complete the cleaning of the surface with cloth and water. If one application is not sufficient to loosen the paint, apply a second coat. Before painting wash the surface with sal soda water, rinse with clean water, and then wipe thoroughly, as described above.

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## OILS FOR ARTILLERY MATÉRIEL.

For the service, cleaning, and preservation of this materiel the Ordnance Department issues hydroline oil, lubricating oil, clock oil, sperm oil, coal oil, neat's-foot oil, and light slushing oil. Each of these oils is suited for the particular purpose for which it is issued, as stated below, and care should be taken that it is not used for other purposes.

The hydroline oil is for use in the recoil cylinders of the carriages

and for no other purpose.

The lubricating oil will be used exclusively in all oil holes of the matériel and in lubricating such parts as wheels and axles, gun and cradle slides, pintle socket, elevating and traversing mechanisms, exterior of cylinders, brake bearings, hinges, different surfaces of breechblocks, threads of breech recess, etc.

Clock oil should be used on the spindle and all bearings of the battery commander's telescope, bearings of the panoramic sight, range quadrant, and fuze setters, and on the observation telescope, field artillery plotter, and worms of the rear sight.

In all cases clock oil should only be used when the instruments mentioned are disassembled for cleaning. When used it should be applied by dropping from the end of the dropper attached to the end of the cork.

The sperm oil is a lighter lubricant than the lubricating oil and may be used on the gears of sights, fuze setters, range quadrants, parts of revolvers, etc.; lubricating oil may also be used on such parts.

Coal oil is used by the Ordnance Department for cleaning purposes. In the field it may be used for lanterns. Coal oil for general illuminating purposes is furnished by the Quartermaster's Department.

Neat's-foot oil is used for the care and preservation of all leather

equipment.

Light slushing oil is prescribed for use in the protection and preservation of all bright or unpainted surfaces of steel or iron on all parts of the equipment when the matériel is to remain unused for an appreciable length of time. Its use as a lubricant for mobile artillery is forbidden.

Before applying the slushing oil to any surface, the part should be thoroughly cleaned, so as to be free from rust, water, coal oil, lubricating oil, etc., as their presence will cause rusting under the slushing oil. The slushing oil should then be applied in a thin, uniform coat, since this is ALL that is necessary to give good protection.

Except in very cold weather it can be applied by using a paint brush as when painting; in cold weather it should be applied by stippling; that is, lightly tapping the surface with the end of the sash tool held with bristles perpendicular to the surface to be covered. It can be applied to the bores of guns by the slush brush issued for the purpose. In cold weather it should be warmed before use for coating the bores of guns.

It may be readily removed by the use of burlap or waste dipped in coal oil.

## REPAIRS FOR FIELD ARTILLERY MATERIEL ISSUED TO THE UNITED STATES ARMY, NATIONAL ARMY, AND THE NATIONAL GUARD.

Instructions relative to making repairs to field batteries and furnishing ordnance stores and supplies for them will be found in the general orders issued by the War Department from time to time.

Instructions in reference to the care, use, and repair of delicate instruments, such as sights, telescopes, and range finders will be found in General Orders, No. 47, War Department, Washington, March 24, 1905, and in O. O. Pamphlet No. 1795.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF MATERIEL.

Various suggestions in reference to the care of this matériel and hints regarding things to be done or to be avoided are scattered throughout the text of this handbook; some of the more important are here condensed for more convenient reference. Careful compliance with these suggestions will avoid delay and possible injury to personnel or matériel.

All work upon recoil cylinders, sights, and other optical equipment should be done in the presence of a commissioned officer.

The recoil cylinder should never be clamped in a vise, but when necessary to hold it from turning a spanner applied to front end of cylinder should be used.

Never remove the cylinder end stud nut when the piece is at an elevation.

See that proper kind of oil is used in cylinders and for lubrication. Strain the oil used in filling the cylinders through a fine clean cloth and be sure that the receptacles used in handling the oil are clean.

Take every precaution to keep the interior of the cylinders clean and to prevent the entrance of foreign particles.

In assembling the gland be sure that at least four threads of the gland are engaged with the threads of the cylinder head.

Lash parts with copper wire to prevent unscrewing.

Before firing, inspect to insure that cylinders are properly closed and that the cylinder-end stud nut and the piston-rod nut are in place.

If time permits, oil slides before firing.

Note length of recoil for first few shots to insure that the recoil mechanism is working properly.

If the gun fails to return fully into battery, it is probably due (1) to dirt on slides and guides; (2) to cutting of sliding surfaces on account of dirt and lack of oil; (3) to gland being screwed up too tightly; (4) to dirt or foreign particles in the cylinder, and especially in the counter-recoil buffer recess; (5) to weakness of springs. Ninety per cent of such cases will be found due to (1), (2), or (3).

Lock gun and carriage at drill and in traveling to avoid unnecessary strain upon the pointing mechanism.

Keep hub bolts and hub bands properly tightened.

To tighten the hub bands, screw them as tightly as possible with the wrench and then force them farther by striking the end of the wrench with a hammer.

Replace and properly open all split pins after replacing nuts.

Prevent possible injury to cannoneers by causing them to stand clear of the counter-recoil-spring column in assembling or dismounting.

In moving the gun on or off the cradle, provide ample support for the breech end, so that the gun clips are in prolongation of the cradle guides; if this is not done, the cradle guides may be ruined.

Do not strike any metal part directly with a hammer; interpose

a buffer of wood or copper.

Require special care in handling sights.

Do not unnecessarily expose ammunition to the sun or load it into a warm gun before time for firing; if this is done, erratic shooting may result.

Battery commanders should frequently make a detailed inspection of all of the vehicles in the battery to see if any parts of them are broken and any nuts, screws, split pins, etc., missing. If any such defects are found, he should immediately take steps to replace broken or missing parts. This is of the utmost importance, and com-

pliance with these instructions will do much toward prolonging the life of the vehicles.

All wheels and bearings should be frequently oiled.

All nuts secured by split pins should be replaced and properly opened when nuts are screwed home.

All working and bearing surfaces of the carriage require oiling; those not directly accessible for this purpose are provided with oil holes closed by spring covers or handy oilers.

See that fuzes are set at safety for transport.

Use the small primer-inserting press for inserting primers in cartridge cases and the decapping tools provided for removing old primers.

In all requisitions and correspondence the correct name of the part referred to (if known) should be given. If the name of the part is not known, submit a sketch showing the location, shape, matériel, etc., sufficient to establish definitely the identity of the parts in question.

The use of the word "complete" in requisitions to signify a combination of parts sometimes leads to misunderstanding of the exact parts wanted. The tables of nomenclature of parts have been arranged to show the parts included under the terms "one trail, complete one wheel, complete," etc., and should be carefully studied before requisitions are made out, to insure that all parts wanted are included and duplications avoided. For example, if a piston rod is wanted the order should state whether it is to be with or without the nut. If all details are itemized it will avoid mistakes and unnecessary expense.

Smokeless powder must not be used for blank charges.

## SUPPLIES IN GENERAL.

All bits, both curb and snaffle, are made of 27 per cent nickel steel, a practically noncorrosive metal.

The olive-drab saddle blanket is regulation for all arms of the service.

The supply of ammunition to be kept on hand in a 3-inch gun battery will be a sufficient amount to fill all the ammunition chests of the equipment, and in addition a sufficient number of rounds to cover the needs for annual target practice.

Pistol arm racks are issued for use of Field Artillery in such number as may be required to hold the pistols on hand in the battery. Each pistol arm rack holds 80 pistols.

Such articles as may be needed for training the horse—the cavesson, longing rein, running rein, etc.—may be readily made up by the battery saddler from supplies furnished by the Ordnance Department.

For the training of enlisted men leather heads and wooden stands for supporting them will be needed. The saddler and the carpenter will be able to supply these by means of the tools in the forge limber and battery wagon.

A reloading and cleaning outfit for 75-mm, guns for removing fired primers from and cleaning cartridge cases and for reloading blank ammunition is furnished to each battery.

The following table shows the fire-control instruments and equipment furnished to one battery of 75-mm. guns. The instruments and equipment are carried in two chests on the battery reel which constitutes part of the fire-control equipment.

Complete descriptions of these instruments and instructions for their use are contained in the "Handbook of Fire-Control Equipment "

#### Number.

#### Name of instrument.

- 1. Aiming circle. 1. Aiming-circle tripod and case.
- 10. Battery commander's ruler, wooden.
- Battery commander's telescopes and mounts, model 1915.
   Flashlights with hoods.
- 16. Flashlights without hoods.
- 1. Plotting board, model of 1917. 1. Protractors, semicircular.
- 1. Range finder, 1 meter base complete with cases.
- 1. Straight edge, 24-inch, model 1917.
- Slide rule, model of 1917.
   Steel tape, 30 meters.

## EOUIPMENT.

The following table shows the total equipment of one 75-mm. gun battery model of 1917 (British) on war footing. A place is designated for most of the articles, but the battery commander may use his discretion as to the disposition of many articles for which no particular fitting or receptacle is provided.

War footing (4 guns, 12 cais-	Articles.	Where carried.	Prop class: tio	ifica-
sons).			Class.	Sec- tion.
4 4 12 12 12 1 1 1 1 1	Guns and gun carriages. Gun limbers. Caissons. Caisson limbers. Forge limber. Battery wagon. Store wagon. Store limber. 2-horse reel. Reel (to be mounted on caisson).			
-tgloggi	SPARE PARTS FOR GUN.	1 Air Description or	l seni	
1 1 2 1 2 4 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 6 6 8 8 8 8 8 8	Breech mechanism, complete. Breech-block bushing. Extractor. Fixing screw. Fixing string trigger Firing trigger Firing spring. Firing lever Firing pin Firing-trigger lever Hand lever Hand lever retaining catch.  Retaining catch pin Retaining-catch pin Safety-catch spring Striker. Trigger collar Tripping-piece Tripping-piece Tripping-piece Tripping-piece Trigger spring.		)IV	3
100 4 8 12 8 8 8 8 8 16 8 4 4	Assorted split pins.  Cap-square pins. Disk springs (brake). Filling and drain plugs. Firing-gear springs. Oil-hole screws, 'fo by § inch. Packing rings. Packing washers (sets). Rings-Garlock packing. Shield pawl pins Shield pawl springs. Split keep pins and chain. Stuffing box retaining studs. Traversing lever springs.	. do	Or act	

War	Articles.	Where carried.	Property classification.		
(4 guns, 12 cais- sons).	Articles.	where carried.	Class.	Sec-	
	SPARE PARTS FOR CARRIAGES—continued.				
	Tools and accessories for carriages.				
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Breech and sight cover Can No. 9. Can No. 9. Drift, small. I brift, large. File, 6 inches, 3 square, dead smooth, double cut. File, 8 inches, hand, smooth, double cut. File, 10 inches, flat bastard, double cut. File handle. Hammer Lanyard. Muzzle cover Packing tool Pliers, 8 inches, wire cutting. Screw driver, 3 inches. Monkey wrench, 15-inch Monkey wrench, 15-inch Spanners, special as detailed. Sponge Sponge and rammer Tool case Tool for withdrawing split pins. Tools for withdrawing packing.	n tool case		3	
4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	SPARE PARTS FOR GUN LIMBERS.  Adjusting collars, wheel	do			
1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Tools and accessories—Gun limber.  Ax. Grease box. Hatchet Lantern Lantern strap. Lantern-bracket pad Neck yoke. Paulin, 12 by 12 feet. Pickax	do do do do do do			

War footing (4 guns,	Articles.	Where carried		perty ifica- on.
12 cais- sons).	erf0r		Class.	Sec-
				tion.
	SPARE PARTS FOR GUN LIMBERS—continued.  Tools and accessories—Gun limber—continued.	TO STAND FOR STANDING THE STANDING THE STANDING THE STANDING STAND	440	
1 1 2 3 3	Picket rope. C Pole prop Shovel, short handle Singl traes. Tubular oil cans Watering buckets, canvas	Dn limber		
	SPARE PARTS-CAISSON.	Just of the Land o		
2 2 4 1 1 2 2 8 2 2 10 2 2 2 4 4 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Adjusting links, brake	n store wagon		3
1 15 2 6 48 2 6 8 8 4 8 8 8	threads). Pintle spring Pintle spring plunger. Pins, $\frac{1}{2}$ by 0.75. Pins, $\frac{1}{2}$ by 0.75. Pins, $\frac{1}{2}$ by 1.25. Pins, $\frac{1}{2}$ by 1.25. Pins, $\frac{1}{2}$ by 1.5. Pins, $\frac{1}{2}$ by 1.5. Pins, $\frac{1}{2}$ by 2.25. Pins, $\frac{1}{2}$ by 2.25 Pins, $\frac{1}{2}$ by 2.25 Screws, axle hatchet. St Side-rail liners, right. Side-rail liners, right. Side-rail liners, complete. Wheels, complete.	do d		

War footing (4 guns,	Articles.	Where carried.	Property classifica- tion.	
12 cais-		William Carriott.		
sons).			Class.	Sec-
			Ciass.	tion.
	SPARE PARTS—CAISSON—contd.			
	Tools and accessories—Caissons.			
12	Axes	Outside of chest, caisson		
12	Paulins, 12 by 12 feet	On chest seat, caisson		
12	Pick mattocks	Outside of chest, caisson		
12 12	Shovel, long handled Spanners	Below front frame, caisson Outside of chest, caisson		
12	Wrenches, 5 and 3.	do	1	
	Trendres, g and 4			
	SPARE PARTS—CAISSON LIMBER.			
2	Bolts, axle bracket, with nut	In spare-parts chest	1	
2	Bolts, pintle-bearing guide,	do		
	with nut.			
1	do	do	11	
. 1	Bolts, pole clamp with nut	do		
1	Bolts, guide, with nut Bolts, doubletree, with nut Bolts, pintle bearing, with nut	d0		
3	Polts, doubletree, with nut	do	1	
1	Bolts truppion	do		
2	Chains No 11 complete	Store wagon		
2	Bolts, frunnion. Chains, No. 11, complete. Double hooks (1 right, 1 left)	Spare-parts chest	11	
2	Doubletrees, complete	do		
2	Hub caps, complete	Store wagon	11	
3	Hub latches	in store wagon		
3 3	Hub-latch rivets	do		
3				
3	Hub-latch liners	do	IV	
3	Lock washers	Spare-parts chest	1	
4	Nuts, crown, 3-inch	In spare-parts case		
4	Nuts, crown 5-inch	do		
2	Nuts, crown, 3-inch	do	.	
1	Hub-latch springs Hub-latch liners Lock washers Nuts, crown, \$\frac{1}{2}\lineh	do		
2	Nute enring rod	do	.	
3	Oil valves, complete	.do		
	Oil valves, complete. Padlocks, complete. Pintles with bearing, complete. Pintles Pintle bearings	Store wagon		
2 2	Pintles with bearing, complete.	Carried loose	.	1
$\frac{1}{2}$	Pintles	do		1
	Pintle bearings	Spare-parts chest	- 1	
1	Pintle bearing spring	do		
1 2	Pintle latch	Carried 100se		1
2	Pintle-latch pins	do		
2	Poles, complete	On caisson		
2	Pintle bearing spring. Pintle latch. Pintle-latch springs. Pintle-latch pins. Poles, complete. Pole-supporting springs. Pins, assorted. Pin-spring rod with split pin. Pin-tie rod (2 of each). Spring rod.	Carried loose		
	Pins, assorted	Pouch for spare parts	: 11	
1	Pin-spring rod with split pin	do	.	-
6	Pin-tie rod (2 of each)	do	-	
1	Spring rod	Store wagon	- 1	
1	ctrap tastener No. 1	Spare parts chest		
3	Spring rod. Strap tastener No. 1. Wheels, complete. Wheel fastenings, complete. Wing nut.	Store wagon	1	
î	Tri-	The late of the state of the st	11	

War footing (4 guns, 12 cais-	Articles	Where carried.	class	erty ifica- on.
sons).			Class.	Sec-
12 36 12 12 12 2 36 2 4 12 12 12 12 12 12 2 2 4 4 4 2 4	SPARE PARTS—CAISSON LIMBER—continued.  Tools and accessories—Caisson limber.  Axes. Buckets, watering, canvas. Hatchets. Lanterns. Lantern-bracket pads. Neck yokes (spares). Oil cans, tubular (spares). Oil cans, tubular (spares). Paulin, 12 by 12 feet Pickaxes. Pole props. Pole props. Pole props (spares). Shovels. Singletrees. Singletrees.	Outside of chest, on limber. On limber. Outside of chest, on limber. do. do. On pole Where convenient. In ammunition chest on limber. do. Store wagon On limber seat Outside of chest on limber. do. Underframe, on limber Store wagon. Under thest, on limber. On doubletrees. Where convenient.	lv	3
1 3 2 1 1 1 1	TOOLS AND ACCESSORIES FOR FORGE LIMBER.  Ax Buckets, watering, canvas. Dust guards Hatchet Hub-liner driving tool Lantern Lantern-bracket pad Neck yoke Oil cans, tubular	On limber under chest On limber in bucket holder On wheels In bracket on left of chest In forge limber On limber, in bracket on front of chest In lantern bracket On pole	IV IV IV IV	9 3 9 9
1 1.1 1 1	Paulin, 12 by 12 feet Pickax Picket rope Pole prop. Shovel, short-handled	On limber, in supports under chest. On limber chest as cushion. On limber foot rest. On limber, in fastenings under frame. On limber, under chest	IV IV	9 9 3
1 3 1 4 4 3 1 1 4 4 1 1 1	Singletrees Straps: Ax. Grip. Hatchet Lantern Limber blanket, front. Limber blanket, rear. Paulin Pick handle Pick head. Picket rope, upper. Picket rope, upper.	In strap fasteners	IV	3

War footing (4 guns,	Articles.	Where carried.	Property classifica- tion.	
12 cais- sons).			Class.	Sec-
lanit	TOOLS AND ACCESSORIES FOR STORE LIMBER.			
1 3 1	AxBuckets, watering, canvas Cyclometer for 56-inch wheel	On limber under chest In bucket holder On axle of limber.	} IV	,
2	Dust guards	On whee s	IV	
1	Lantern	On limber in bracket on chest front.	} IV	
1 2	Neck yokeOil cans, tubular	In brackets On pole On limber, in supports	IV	
1 1 1	Paulin, 12 by 12 feet	On limber chest as cushion. On limber foot rest On limber, in front of chest	} IV	
$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{array}$	Pole prop. Shovel, short-handled. Singletrees. Strans:	In fastening under frame On limber under chest Attached to doubletrees	IV	
$\begin{array}{c}1\\3\\1\\1\end{array}$	Ax. Grip. Hatchet	In strap fastenersdodododo		
4 4 3	Limber blanket, front Limber blanket, rear	do do do		
1 1 4	Pick handle	do		
1 1	Picket rope, lower	do do do		
	SPARE PARTS FOR BATTERY WAGON.			
1 1 1 2 3	Chain, No. 10. Chain, No. 13. Chain, No. 12 Lock washers. Padlocks, No. 850.			
0	TOOLS AND ACCESSORIES FOR BATTERY WAGON.			
- 1	Carpenters' chest, with tools, set.	In battery wagon	1	
1	Chest for cleaning material and small stores.	do	IV	
1	Chest for spare breech mechan- anism. Chest for spare sights, con-	do	-	
	taining—	In battery wagondo	) IV	
1	1 bore sight, muzzle Double-tackle block Dust guards	do	J IV	
2	Dust guards	On wheels	. 1V	1

Statement of total equipment of one 75-mm. model of 1917 (British) gun battery—Continued.

War footing (4 guns, 12 cais-	Articles.	Where carried.	class	perty sidea- on.
sons).		not subfostinous gas), ag	Class.	Sec-
	TOOLS AND ACCESSORIES FOR BATTERY WAGON—contd.	NOTE 123 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	7.7.	
1 1 1	Forge coal bag Filling funnel, cylinder Grindstone with frame, com- plete.	On battery wagon	IV	
1	Lever sack.  Marking outfit for stamping leather.	In cleaning-material and small-stores chest.	IV X	5
3	Marking outfit for stamping metal. Oil cans, 5-gallon	In oil-can supports	IV	
1	Ordnance Department insignia stencil.  Packing chest for supplies	In cleaning-material and small-stores chest.  In battery wagon	X	9 5
1 1 1	Packing chest for spare parts. Paulin	On battery wagon	} IV	9
1	Saddler's chest, with tools, set. Seal stamp.	In battery wagondo In cleaning-material and small-stores chest.	XX	9
$\begin{smallmatrix}1\\2\\2\\2\end{smallmatrix}$	Single-tackle block Spare-wheel hub covers Spring centering tools	In battery wagon On spare wheels In battery wagon	IV IV	9
$\frac{1}{2}$	Spring compressors, No. 1 Stencil outfit	do	XX	9 5
2 2 1	Straps: Grindstone Grip	In strap fasteners		
4 1 1	Paulin	do	IV	3
1 2	Vise. Water buckets, galvanized steel.	In battery wagon. Attached to lunette frame In battery wagon	IV X IV	9 9
1	777	do	IV	3
	TOOLS AND ACCESSORIES FOR STORE WAGON.	2007 A 1821.1878		
20 20 1	Chest for miscellaneous spare parts.	In store wagon	VII	5
1 2 1 3	Crowbar Dust guards Filling funnel, cylinder	On store wagon, under body. On wheels. In store wagon. On store wagon in oil-can supports.		3

War footing (4 guns,	Articles.	Where carried.	Property classification.	
12 cais- sons).	ATTRICES.	t Here carried.	Class.	Sec-
	TOOLS AND ACCESSORIES FOR STORE WAGON—contd.			
1	Paulin, 12 by 12 feet	On store wagon in off-can supports.	IV	9
1	Slush brush Straps:	dō		
$\frac{1}{2}$	Paulin	In strap fasteners In store wagon	IV	3
	Spare parts of accessories for store wagon.			١.
4 2 3 4 4		dodododododo	11	9
	MISCELLANEOUS PARTS.			
64 64	Fuze boxes for Mark III fuze Fuze boxes for Mark V fuze		1	
	SPARE PARTS FOR HARNESS.			
4 3 3 6 2 4	Breast collars, complete Bridles and bits, near Bridles and bits, off Barrel roller buckles, 1.25 inch. Backstrap hooks. Choke straps	dodoIn store wagondo.		
12 6 2	Cincha, lead (breast)	do	11	
20	1912. Double-eye hooks. Feed bags		11	9
8 8 6	Grain bags Halter head stalls Halter tie ropes, model of 1912	do	1.1	
20 6 2 2	Martingales with cincha straps. Neck yokes with neck straps. Pad strap buckle pieces	do		
6 4 12	Side straps for breeching. Springs, Mogul Stirrup straps Snap hooks, Covert 2-inch.	do	HI V	
2 8 4 4	Traces, lead. Whips, artillery	do do do		

War footing (4 guns, 12 cais- sons).	Articles. Where carried.	Where carried	Property classifica- tion.	
		Class.	Sec-	
	SADDLER'S TOOLS.		CT :	
12	Awl blades, harness, assorted	In saddler's chest in battery	1	
1	Awl, pegging Awl, seat, handled Carriage, pricking, 3 wheels Compass, 6 inches Creaser, double, lignum vitæ	wagon.		
1	Awl, seat, handled	do		
1	Carriage, pricking, 3 wheels	do		
1	Creaser, double, lignum vitæ	do		
1	Claw tool	do		
1	Edge tool, No. 1	do	100	
$\frac{1}{2}$	Edge tool, No. 1 Edge tool, No. 2 Extra blades, with followers,	do	195	
-	for draw gage.		16	
1	for draw gage. Gage, draw, brass. Halts, patent, awl, rosewood Hammer, No. 3, tiveting Handle, peg, awl, with wrench Knife round.	do		
. 2	Halts, patent, awl, rosewood	do		
1	Handle peg awl with wrench	do		
î	Knife, round	do		
1	Knife, round Knife, splitting, 6-inch Needle case, leather	do		
1 1	Needle clayer's No. 2 papers	do		
2	Needles, harness, No. 4, papers.	/do		
2	Needle, glover's, No. 3, papers. Needles, harness, No. 4, papers. Needles, harness, No. 5, papers.	-:do		
12	Needles, harness, No.6, papers. Needles, sacking, assorted. Nipper, cupping, 10 inch. Oilstone, unmounted.	do		
12	Nipper cupping 10 inch	do		
1	Oilstone, unmounted	do		
1	Olistone, unmounted Pliers, 6 inch. Punches,hand,round,assorted. Punch, revolving. Rivet sets. Rule, boxwood, 2-foot, 4-fold. Serew drivers, 3-inch blade. Sewing palm, leather. Shears, 10-inch bent trimmers. Shee knife, square point.	do	X	9
4	Punch ravelying	do	1 2	8
1	Rivet sets	do		
1	Rule, boxwood, 2-foot, 4-fold	do		
1	Screw drivers, 3-inch blade	do		
- 1	Shears, 10-inch bent trimmers	do	1	
1	Shoe knife, square point	do		
1	Shoe knife, broad point	do		
2	Shoe knife, square point. Shoe knife, broad point. Slicker, steel. Thimbles.	do		
	CARPENTER'S TOOLS.	1,86 bi		
1	Bench ax I	n carpenter's chest in bat-	E or	
2	Bags, canvas, for small stores	do		
1	Bevel, 8-inch. Bits, auger	do		
6	Rit wood countersink	do	1-1	
1	Bit, wood countersink. Bit, expansive, 2 cutters.	do		
3	Bits, screw driver Brace, ratchet, 10-inch sweep	do		
1 3	Brace, ratchet, 10-inch sweep	do		
1	Chisels, socket, framing.  Divider, wing, 10-inch.  Drills, twist.	do	11 1	
4	Drills, twist	do	4	

Statement of total equipment of one 75-mm. model of 1917 (British) gun battery—Continued.

War footing 4 guns,	Articles.	Where carried.	Property classification.	
12 cais- sons).			Class.	Sec- tion
	CARPENTERS' TOOLS—contd.			*******
1	File, 10-inch, flat, bastard	In carpenter's chest in bat-	1.	
6	Files, saw, 4 and 6 inch (3 of	tery wagon.		
1	Gage, marking, brass, thumb-	do		
2	Course coalect firmer	do		
ĩ	Gouges, socket firmer	do	1	
î	Hammer, claw, adz eye	do		
2	Handles, file, aluminum alloy	do	1 == 1	-
1	Handles, file, aluminum alloy .  Knife, drawing, 9-inch blade  Mallet 28 by 5 inches maple	do.	1	
1	Mallet, 23 by 5 inches, maple,	199	1	
		do	D V	
1	Nail set. Oiler. Oilstone, unmounted	de	¥ 1	
1	Oller	do	- 1	į.
1	Distone, unmounted	dop		
1	Placer, small, 8-inch.	F. do.,		
1	Plane amenthis	.\do		1/8
1	Plate enger handle	do		. \]
1	Page wood 10 inch	do		: - //
1	Oilstone, unmounted. Pincer, small, 8-inch. Plane, jac'r, wood. Plane, smoothing, wood. Plate, auger handle Rasp, wood 10-inch Reamer, half-round, for wood or soft metal	do AUG		
1	Rule, boxwood, 2-foot, 4-fold Saw, crosseut, 24-inch Saw, rip, 24-inch Saw set	do	19	
1	Saw, crosscut, 24-inch	do		
1	Saw, rip, 24-inch	do	X	
1	Saw set	do	1000	
1	Screw driver, 5-inch blade, 10 inches.  Sporeshave, adjustable.  Square, steel, 12-inch body, 8-inch to gray.			
1	Spokeshave, adjustable	do		
	inch tongue. Tape line, linen Vise, table, 2½-inch.	do		
1	Tape line, linen	do		
1	Vise, table, 2½-inch	do	100	
1	wrench, screw, 12-mch	do		
	BLACKSMITH'S TOOLS.			
1	Anvil, 100-pound	In forge limber chest		
3 2	A Drons, Diacksmith's	do		
1	Boy shooing loothon	do		
i	Bags, cánvas, for nails Box, shoeing, leather Chisel, cold, 8-inch	00		
î	Unisel, handled, for cold from			
1	Chisel, handled, for hot iron, 1.5 pounds.	do		
1	Clinching iron	do		
6	Clinching drills flat	do		
1	Clinching drills, flat	do		
î	Fire rake	do	- 1	
1	Fire shovel	do		

War footing (4 guns, 12 cais- sons).	Articles.	Where carried.	Property classification.	
			Class.	Sec-
-	BLACKSMITH'S TOOLS—contd.			
1 1 1 1	Flatter, handled, 1.5-inch, square face	In forge limber chestdododododododo.		
1 1 1	Hammer, shoeing, 10-ounce Handle, file aluminum Hardie, 0.75-square shank, 1.25	dododododododo	16.57 16.57 16.87 10.5	Section 2
1 1 1	Cutting nippers, 14-inch Oiler Pritchel, 0.75 flats, 9-inch Punch, round, 0.375-inch	do do do do		
1 1 1	Punch, round, 0.312 16-inch Punch, nail Punch, square Ratchet drill.	do	X	
1 5	Rivet sets, 5 sizes	do	agi T	
. 1	Rule, boxwood, 2-foot, 4-fold. Screw plates, taps and dies, with tap wrench, including	do 2 103 futborilad poo		
2-1	Shoeing knives	dodo	EUT.	1
1 1 1	Shoeing rasp, 16-inch	do	97.5	100
1 1 1	Tongs, horseshoer's	do	oge oge	1
1	Whetstone, farriers', 10-inch Wrench, screw, 12-inch	do	1	

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